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Some Notable Personalities of the Fourth Pacific Science Congress which met in Java, May 1929.

—By A. H. C.

The President.—'Of all the Science Congresses he had ever attended (and he had attended a good many)', so said one of the speakers at the closing meeting, 'none had been accompanied by such harmony and goodwill or had accomplished so much amid such charming surroundings and goodfellowship'. And all this, as was again and again reiterated by many, was due above all to the President whose genial presence and magnetic personality were over every gathering, and whose polyglot accomplishments solved so many difficulties. In one of his speeches the President amusingly referred not to the polyglot nature of the Congress but to the increasing divergence of the different forms of English — the official language — and the extent to which the Dutchman's linguistic abilities were taxed in interpreting the American, Australoid, and other varieties of the mother tongue. The lesser vagaries,—Oxford drawls, Scotch 'birrs', and Irish euphonics — could scarcely be registered amid the more violent shocks.

Dr. O. de Vries, Professor of Chemistry at the Medical Faculty, Batavia; President Fourth Pacific Science Congress.

Dr. de Vries, the President, is the Director of the Rubber Experimental Station at Buitenzorg, and the Professor of Chemistry at the Medical Faculty, Batavia. He is the son of the world-famous botanist and mutationist Prof. Hugo de Vries, whose experiments on **Oenothera lamarckiana** and other plants have been such a stimulus to biological science, and whose books on 'Plant Breeding' and 'Species and Varieties', written in English, have been a household word with British botanists.

Pithecanthropus erectus, the Ape-man of Java.—Java has centred in it so many phases of scientific research and endeavour that it is difficult to select any one of them as predominant. But perhaps the fact that on the banks of the Solo River at Trinil, there was found between 1891 and 1893 by Monsieur du Bois the remains of the earliest specimen of the primates which may be counted distinctly human has impressed itself on the imagination more than any other scientific fact mentioned in connection with Java. The more or less meagre remains of **Pithecanthropus erectus** have been of surpassing interest to anthropologists. And it was partly due to this very interest that Prof. G. Elliot Smith, Litt.D., D.Sc., M.D., F.R.S., came out to the Congress as Great Britain's Representative from the Royal Society.

Restoration of Pithecanthropus erectus of Trinil, Java, the left-handed first cousin of Homo sapiens.

Pithecanthropus erectus, left-handed.—He electrified the anthropological section by telling them that the Ape-man of Java was left-handed. And we might add that **pithecanthropus** had thus a more unequivocal claim to the human (for, are there any apes which are left-handed?) Prof. Elliot Smith's sense of humour never deserted him and opened to way to some of his greatest triumphs. At a discussion on the preservation of rare species Great Britain was greatly blamed for an expedition of some few years back when many rarer species were collected in such quantities as to threaten their extinction. A resolution was proposed to urge Governments to prohibit this. Immediately Prof. Elliot Smith was on his feet. 'As the representative of the country which has been blamed as being the greatest sinner in this respect it affords me the greatest pleasure to second this motion'. In due fairness to Great Britain it must be said that the expedition complained of was not a scientific expedition at all but a company-promoted joy-ride to which most of her scientists were wholeheartedly opposed.

Prof. G. Elliot Smith, D.Sc., M.D., F.R.S., the illustrious British anthropologist, anatomist and Egyptologist, on Krakatau beach. He is the author of "The Evolution of the Dragon", "The Ancient Egyptians", "Human Nature," "Elephants and Ethnologists" and other works. In his latest book he asks:—"Do we eat bacon because Cheops was pickled in brine, or was the erection of the Great Pyramid one of the incidental results of a partiality for corned beef"?

Dr. W. M. Docters Van Leeuwen, Director, Botanical Gardens, Buitenzorg.

The remains of palaeolithic man discovered in North China near Peking and named **Sinanthropus pekinensis** were discussed at the Congress. Prof. Elliot Smith's name for this, 'the Man of Sin', was another neat touch. (*Continued on page 14.*)

2 LADIES' SURPRISES IN TENNIS

A VETERAN'S FORM

WIMBLEDON CHAMPIONSHIPS: THE FIFTH DAY

TILDEN STILL WINNING

England's only "seeded" representative in the men's singles of the British lawn tennis championships at Wimbledon, in Dr. J. C. Gregory, has been eliminated; but "surprise" players like "Bunny" Austin and Nigel Sharpe remain.

There was abundant interest and surprise in the women's events of the fifth day. Britain's star shone when Mrs. Mellquham struck a vital blow at the foreign contingent by defeating, unexpectedly, Senorita Lili de Alvarez of Spain, who lost last year in the final to Miss Helen Wills. But the Spanish girl's fate was avenged by another invader in Mrs. Bundy of America, a veteran, who disposed of Miss Eileen Bennett, Britain's second ranking lady player.

Reverting to the men's singles, however, it is interesting to note that one Frenchman was beaten by Tilden, but two of Tilden's colleagues were beaten by Frenchmen.

The Last Eight

London, Yesterday.

The weather was glorious and the attendance large for the strong programme of the fifth day at Wimbledon. Four of the last eight in both the men's and women's singles were down for decision, but, as it was, a fifth ladies' match was decided.

"Big Bill" Tilden again led the way into the fifth round (the last eight) by defeating Boussus on the centre court in straight sets.

The first surprise came when Mrs. Mellquham accounted for Senorita Alvarez in three sets.

Then Mrs. Bundy beat Miss Bennett. This was a fascinating struggle between the old and new generations. As Miss May Sutton, Mrs. Bundy had won the singles title at Wimbledon in 1905, 1906 and 1907.

"I knew 'mommer' would win," said one of Mrs. Bundy's four children to Tilden, who sat throughout the match with an arm round the child's neck. Mrs. Bundy is 42 years old and Miss Bennett is only half her age. The victor's strokes and footwork were reminiscent of her form when she first won the championship in 1905. She is thought to have an excellent chance now of reaching the final. Yesterday's chief results:—

Women's Singles (3rd round)

Miss Tapscott (South Afrcia) beat Madame Mathieu (who, before her marriage, was France's best woman player) 5-7, 6-1, 6-3. This match concluded the 3rd round and Miss Tapscott made up the last 16 in the tournament.

Women's Singles (4th round)

Mrs. Mellquham (Britain) beat Senorita Lili de Alvarez (of Spain, runner-up last year) 6-4, 4-6, 6-2.

Mrs. Bundy (America) beat Miss Eileen Bennett (Britain) 3-6, 6-4, 6-4.

Miss Helen Jacobs (America) beat Miss Joan Fry (Britain) 6-3, 6-4.

This result was also in the nature of a surprise.

Miss Helen Wills (America, the holder) beat Mlle. Sigart (Belgium) 6-2, 6-3.

Men's Singles (4th round)

W. T. Tilden (America) beat M. Boussus (the young left-handed Frenchman) 6-3, 9-7, 6-4.

H. Cochet (France) beat Henniessey (America) 6-1, 6-4, 9-7.

J. Borotra (France) beat Allison (America) 6-3, 6-1, 4-6, 6-3.

Landry (France) beat Dr. J. C. Gregory (Britain) 8-6, 6-4, 3-6, 6-3.

—Reuter.

JAPAN & THE "PACT"

CORNER-STONE OF WORLD PEACE

BARON TANAKA SPEAKS

Tokyo, Yesterday.

Stating his belief that "the (Kellogg) Pact will prove the corner-stone of world peace" and offering his "sincerest respects to M. Briand and Mr. F. B. Kellogg for their worthy efforts which had been crowned with success and would mark an epoch in the annals of the world's peace movements," Baron Tanaka, the Premier, in his capacity as Foreign Minister, has announced the fact that H.I.M. the Emperor of Japan has ratified the Kellogg Pact.

Baron Tanaka also reviewed the circumstances under which Japan supported the Pact and how she interpreted the much-discussed phrase "in the names of the respective peoples," so as to ensure that there would be no conflict (vis-a-vis the Emperor's position) with the terms of the national constitution of Japan.

Accompanying the statement is a copy of memoranda exchanged between Japan and America on July 16 last year regarding the interpretation of the phrase.—Reuter.

PROBABLY SOME RAIN

"S.W. winds, fresh, cloudy, probably some rain" is the forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow.

At 10.30 a.m. to-day the Observatory reported: — "The anticyclone remains to the E. of Japan and the N. depression is moving into S. Manchuria. The S. depression or typhoon is situated about 100 miles S. of Naha, moving N."

The U.S. Consulate-General is advised from Manila:—

3.55 p.m. 28 — Cyclone or Typhoon S.W. of Guam, direction unknown.

TERRIBLE DEATH

A 19-year-old Chinese girl named Lam Yuet-ming, of No. 110, Temple-street, met with a terrible death yesterday afternoon whilst riding in tramcar No. 78.

In spite of a warning posted in the car against leaning over the railing on the top deck, she foolishly did so. Her head was struck violently by another tram which was travelling in the opposite direction and smashed in. Death was instantaneous.

The accident occurred in Quarry Bay near the Taikoo Sugar Refinery.

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SIR P. SASSOON HONOURED

London, Yesterday.

The Dissolution Honours List includes an earldom for Lord Peel, and a viscounty for Sir Wm. Joynson Hicks.

New Peers

Baronies have been conferred on Sir Hamar Greenwood, Sir George Lawson Johnston, Sir Gilbert Alan Hamilton Wills, M.P., and Major Yerburgh, M.P.

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The Privy Councillors include Sir Douglas Hacking, Earl Howe, Commodore Henry Douglas King, Sir Francis William Lowe, the Earl of Plymouth, Sir Philip Sassoon, Viscount Wolmer.

Baronetcies

Six baronetcies include Sir Alfred Butt.

The Knights

Eleven knighthoods include Mr. Frederick George Penny (formerly of Singapore).

Grand Crosses of the British Empire—Sir Harold Bowden, Sir Philip Cunliffelister and Commander Eyres Monsell.—Reuter.

British Wireless adds that among the new Privy Councillors are the names of Viscount Wolmer, late Asst. Postmaster General and that the new baronets include Mr. Jeoffrey Fry, private secretary to Mr. Baldwin.

MR. DWIGHT DAVIS

P.I.'S NEW GOVERNOR IN JAPAN

ON HIS WAY TO MANILA

Tokyo, Yesterday.

Mr. Dwight Davis, who is en route to the Philippines to take up the appointment of Governor-General, arrived in Yokohama this morning. He immediately proceeded to Tokyo where he was received in audience by H.I.M. the Emperor.

After attending luncheon at the America-Japan Society, Mr. Davis was present at a tennis match in which Kumagae antd Fukuda, who had previously played in the Davis Cup, took part.

The spectators included H.I.H. Prince Chichibu (brother of the Mikado) and Princess Chichibu, Sir John Tilley (British Ambassador to Japan) and Mr. Neville (the American Charge d'Affaires).

In the evening, Mr. Davis was the guest of honour at a dinner given by the Premier, Baron Tanaka, who is also Foreign Minister.

On June 30, Mr. Davis leaves Kobe for Manila, via Shanghai and Hong Kong, by the Dollar Line s.s. "President Taft." It is understood that his visit to Tokyo has no political significance.—Reuter.

Unique Times—Unusual Views

Hong Kong resident to ditto:—"Isn't this just perfectly 'wonder ful' weather?"

IS THAT SO?

Thoughts Terse, Perverse—and Worse

The water issue is very clouded.

The chief imports of the Colony appear to be banishment and breakers.

Evidently the Harbour harbours some heroes in the life-saving line.

The man who saves water by refusing to shave daren't look himself in the face.

"Water Opinions" shrieks a "Morning Po" placard. —— They always were just that — not even milk and water.

1949:

"And what did you do in the Great Water Famine, daddy"?

"I made my own water."

The inmates of the Blind Home are radiating over the gift of a radio set from the Kowloon F.C.

"I'll play till the last drop" said a teetotal lawn bowls player.

"H. G." has cabled his non-approval of the re-opening of Wells.

According to a "Telegraph" placard the most sensational *local* news appears to be the plans for "Big Straits Hotel."——When in straits go to the Straits for "news."

"Just *our* half inch fell up to yesterday evening" exclaims the "Daily Press" in a sort of confidential mood. —— When the "China Mail's" half inch falls we'll be glad to inform our contemporary.

"Official Receiver To Carry On" (heading in local paper).——Surely not!

"Many of many parts passes away" says a "Telegraph" headline. ——Seems to have got many of the Singer sewing machine parts mixed up.

We note that one of the Straits officials is going Home soon and that "while in England he is to qualify for the final Bar examination." We wonder if the gentleman in question is aware of the fact that it is the Shanghai Club that is reputed to have the "longest bar in the world?" If not, he might change his plans.——P'raps; p'raps not!

"The weather breaking up" says a "Daily Press" head line.—— Breaking up into what?

Very kind of the "Telegraph" to publish daily the *disposition* of the warships now in port.——On enquiry this morning it was learned that the disposition of the "Tamar" was quite cheerful, with plenty of water round it in spite of the water shortage.

In the annual report of the Botanic Gardens and Forests it is very appropriately mentioned that Mr. H. Green, the Superintendent, proceeded on *leaves* on March 31. —Green leaves, doubtless!

Weather Forecast a la "Telegraph": "Cloud; rain."—Was the cloud over the rain or the rain over the cloud?

The Kowloon Residents' Association will have to watch their Manners.

He might be appointed to the Sanitary Board, the Legislative Council, or the first Kowloon Municipal Council.

"Daily Press" — We have had exactly two inches in 48 hours."—Not enough to wash daily linen in!

Says the same oracle: "Tuesday's rain was of quite a different category"—P'raps it wasn't wet!

The "shark" between Shank's Bay and Castle Peak has 'phoned to the "Daily Press" that it's neither a shark nor a porpoise—it's a mere myth.

The wise prophet foretold that nullah water would be nullahvoid.

Teetotallers are horrified at the very idea of bringing in water from Gin Drinkers Bay— It is expected that Pussyfoot Johnston himself will lead the conscientious objectors.

Courts-Martial seem to be getting quite a Comyn occurrence.

[illegible] some futile talkie-talkie about the projected talkie machine for the Queen's Theatre!

"Real rain arrives at last"—"Daily Press" three-column heading. Real news indeed!

There seems to be a drought of local news in Singapore judging by the copious flow of excerpts from Hong Kong papers on the water famine.

Seems to have been overlooked that when Ramsay MacDonald embarked on his first flight to London Town he "rose from his clover field."——Now he's Prime Minister he's certainly in clover!

Gambling appears to be a fine pastime. No fewer than 1,527 were fined at the Magistracies last year.

And so these rain making experiments are alleged to have ended in airy nothings!

Having seen the Filipino on his native heath the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn is giving a Fillip to lawn bowls on the local greens.

There are life savers—and "life savers."——Some get medals and some you daren't meddle with.

Those bullies at the street fountains are ardent believers in the Freedom of the Seize.

The racing joke of the week was the publication in the "Morning Post" of a letter from Frank Haytor enquiring the result of the Ascot Gold Cup which appeared in the previous evening's "China Mail."

From 1919 to 1928, inclusive, only two persons were punished by the Police Magistrate's Courts for "preferring false charge or giving false testimony." —— Presumably the other 175,591 defendants (and their witnesses) were all direct descendants of George Washington!

Another feather in the cap of the Hong Kong telegraphic authorities! A disgruntled newspaper editor in Bangkok points out that whereas the Derby result was flashed from Epsom to the Straits in five seconds (and to Hong Kong in 25 seconds) it took more than eleven hours to transmit the news from Singapore to Bangkok.

Kowloon "women" are at long last envious of the "cats" on the Peak as the latter can wash themselves without water.

The son of the inventor of the Singer Sewing Machine has passed away——Just sew.

There's a great deal of voluntary liquid-ation about.

Some of these motor touts in the vicinity of Chater Road and Pedder Street imagine that they are still circus clowns.

The washing of the statues in Statue Square has been postponed until the trans-harbour pipe scheme is finished.

A foki of a certain cinema seems to have been talking to a "Daily Press" foki on "talkies" till both talked themselves dry and forgot what they talked about.

It had to come—in the exclusive "Telegraph": "Drowning Fatalities"——Why not accidental accidents?

'Twas time that some light was thrown on the subject of the lack of lights in some of Kowloon's thoroughfares.

The fact of the Police Training School being at the corner doesn't minimise the nervousness of pedestrians walking between Prince Edward Road and Nan Chang Street, Shamshuipo, on a pitch dark night.

A candle would be better than nothing when the moon fails to appear—unless the authorities would like to present pedestrians with torch lights.

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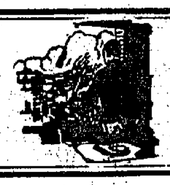

COMMERCE AND FINANCE.

LOCAL SHARES

MESSRS. MOXON AND TAYLOR'S WEEKLY REPORT

AN IMPROVEMENT

Messrs. Moxon and Taylor, in their weekly report on the Hong Kong share market, under date of yesterday, state:

During the past week there was some improvement in the local market especially towards the close when buyers were more in evidence with higher prices offering for some of the principal stocks as detailed below; as we go to press the improvement is maintained and the market closes with a steady undertone.

Shanghai Market has perceptibly improved, both Cottons and Docks, as well as Shanghai Lands, being enquired for at higher rates.

The following are the principal alterations since last week:

Banks:—Are firmer with buyers at $1,240 but no shares obtainable except at an advance on this.

Unions:—Were on offer at $324.

Canton Insurances:—Changed hands at $630 and have further sellers at this.

Hong Kong Fires and China Fires.—Were steady with buyers at quotations.

Hong Kong Hotels:—Came in for more enquiry and, with shares being firmly held, advanced to a buying rate of $8.60 while possibly a little more would be paid to lead to business.

Hong Kong Lands:—Were quiet with shares offering at $62, but no buyers over $61, or possibly $61½.

Humphreys' Estates and Realties:—Continue in demand at quotations.

Hong Kong Trams:—Experienced a firm and raising market and dealings were recorded at $18¾/90 until at the close they took a sudden jump and came to business at $19.20 at which price there are further buyers.

Star Ferries:—Met with no enquiry and are being offered at $66.

China Lights:—Were steady with very few shares on offer, a small lot was done at $13.85 cum rights and more shares are wanted.

Electrics:—Were dealt in at $55½.

Telephones:—Are wanted at $7.

Cements:—Were rather firmer, after opening with sales at $8.05/.10 for the combined shares close with buyers at $8.35.

China Providents:—Were quiet with sales at $4.05.

Wharves:—A few shares were taken up at $125 though rather less is now being offered.

Docks:—Were not dealt in.

Government Loan:—Continues to meet with demand at 7 per cent. premium.

London Quotations of the 27th inst.:—Banks £132;—Indos Deferred £7; Shells £4 17s. 6d. all middle prices.

Exchange:—The demand Selling rate on London is 1/11-3/16 and the T./T. on Shanghai is Tls.82%.

PLEASE DON'T WASTE WATER

STEEL FOR LONDON BUILDINGS

Steel for building purposes is becoming an important item to steel makers in these days of big buildings. It is just announced that Messrs. Dorman, Long and Co., Middlesbrough, have secured the contract for the steel-framing of what will be the largest building yet erected in London, as well as for two other large structures, also in London. The value of the steel required for these three buildings is over half a million pounds, so that the orders are of some consequence. The first of these buildings is to be a huge block of offices for Anglo Properties, Ltd., which, it will be recalled, is Lord Melchett's finance corporation, while the second is for a new Olympia, and the third for Gamage's new London store.

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Hong Kong, 13th April, 1929.

PIECE GOODS

THE LATEST REPORT FROM MANCHESTER

STATE OF MARKETS

Messrs. James F. Hutton & Co., Ltd., in their report, dated May 29, state:—

Owing to the intervention of the Whitsuntide Holidays we did not issue a Market Report last week. With the Liverpool market being closed for several days there has been rather less activity this week than is usual. The re-opening saw a certain amount of local buying in addition to some short covering of near deliveries. Reports which have been received from the States mention rains throughout the week in most of the growing areas, whilst some advices state that there have been further floods in the Mississippi Valley. News of this nature, together with rather more prominence given to the weevil menace than is usual, by private advices, has led to a slightly firmer tone being adopted and American futures closed slightly higher.

Weather Reports

The market is still easily influenced by weather reports, so that a continuation of rains may have the effect of causing an all round increase in values. However, at present prices are little different than they were before the holidays, and it is as yet too early to forecast their future trend. Generally speaking the amount of enquiry received has been rather meagre considering that there have been more than one mail with which to deal.

India Market

India has not been very encouraging, Calcutta having fallen off considerably. There have been a few enquiry for dhooties from this outlet as well as from some of the upcountry centres, but little business has been mentioned. Bombay has given most promise of development, the enquiries received being chiefly for printed goods.

Far East Quiet

Apart from a few odd lots of greys for Colombo little else has been done, the Far East being very quiet. Both the Near East and Egypt have also been subdued, but business of a miscellaneous character has been under negotiation for West Africa, while South America has shown interest in bleached and dyed cloths.

Little has been heard from the Continent and Home Trade has been almost lifeless.

In the yarn section spinners of both American and Egyptian counts have had little to occupy their attention. There has been no serious attempt at price-testing and little business has been done in quantity.

U.S. FINANCE

VIOLENT CHANGES IN CALL MONEY RATES

New York, May 25.

Recent violent gyrations in call money rates, with their accompanying sharp fluctuations in stock prices, have forced curtailment in bull pool operations.

This explains the recent series of 2,500,000 to 3,000,000 share sessions on the New York stock exchange as contrasted with the 5,000,000 and 6,000,000 pace before the "money pinch," created by the federal reserve policy of curtailing the volume of credit available for security collateral, really became effective.

While the result of pool operations seldom becomes a matter of public record, Wall-street has heard another loud whisper recently that some heavy losses have been taken by the men supposed "to make the market."

Pool Collapses

The collapse of the pool in the Advance-Rumely issues—a large manufacturer of agricultural implements, with plants at La Porte, Ind., Battle Creek, Mich., and Toronto, Ontario—the quoted values of which were cut practically in half within a few days on what appeared to be a well timed bear raid, is one of the most striking cases in point.

One of the stories going around Wall-street is that the managers of the pool sent out 100,000 telegrams "building" the stocks a few days before they broke.

The actual loss, if any, in the Advance-Rumely operation is said to be small compared with those sustained by a few pools in the copper stocks. When copper started its rapid rise to the high price of 24 cents a pound, and higher prices were talked of, pools were organised hastily in several leading copper stocks.

Copper Stocks

Several operators, and perhaps thousands of small investors, became loaded with copper stocks. The speculative craze extended even to copper companies which had not produced a ton of metal, but whose claims had received alleged recognition from mining engineers.

Instead of climbing above 24 cents a pound, the price began to slip and finally dropped to 18 cents a pound, with some of the leading producers curtailing their output 10 per cent. in an effort to stabilise the price around that level.

The prices of stocks melted rapidly under the liquidation of disappointed speculators and the market losses in that group alone undoubtedly ran into many millions.—"China Press."

DURHAM COAL INDUSTRY

The coal industry of Durham county is not yet, like several other coalfields, on a remunerative basis, but it appears to be drawing near thereto. The ascertainment for March, if not satisfactory, is at least promising. It shows that the selling price was 11s. 7.88d. compared with 11s. 7.22d. in the previous month, an increase of 0.66d., leaving a trading loss of 1.99d. per ton, the actual deficit being £180,770. It is claimed with some justice that, but for the strike at the Dawdon Colliery—one of the largest in the county—the result would have been better. Miners' wages in May will remain unchanged.

TRIED AND TESTED

THE BEST KIND OF MACHINERY

There are two important factors which must be considered by buyers of new machinery at the present day, especially by overseas buyers who have to depend on their own efforts, supplemented by the assistance of local agents in repairing and maintaining such machines.

The first factor is the very rapid change and progress which is taking place in all branches of mechanical engineering. Intense competition, combined with the efforts of first-class brains in all parts of the world lead to such quick developments that machinery which was new five years ago may be out of date to-day. Further, the new models may give such great advantages in reduced running costs or increased output that the expenditure on new plant may be more than justified. Improvements are coming thick and fast to-day and users cannot afford to ignore them.

But the second factor, akin to the first, which must not be forgotten, is the question of reliability, and this is especially important in overseas countries. However efficient a machine may be, if it is going to stand idle through breakdown, through lack of spare parts or through lack of knowledge, it will soon lose all its economy and become an expensive luxury. Reliability is of the greatest importance. How can a user be sure that he will get reliability in the case of a new plant? The improved method of working or economy promised may bid fair to revolutionise his business, but how can he rely upon the plant to do what is promised?

He has two safeguards, which are:—

Reliable manufacturers with a reputation to maintain; and

Dependable and experienced agents.

Experienced agents do not sell untried machinery offered by unreliable manufacturers who have no reputation to lose. They give their customers skilled assistance and will not rest content until the best possible results are obtained from the machinery they supply. Similarly reliable manufacturers with extensive experience of overseas trade do not offer machinery until they have tried it out and have convinced themselves that it is suited to the conditions and able to give good results. They cannot afford to risk their good name, knowing that it is far easier to lose a reputation built up over a number of years than to make it.

These then are the safeguards of the buyer and they are substantial. It is even worth paying rather more in first cost to make sure of them, particularly in the case of new developments in engineering science, where difficulties are more likely to crop up.

And it is just here that British manufacturers lay their claim for consideration. They have the reputation to maintain. They have experience of overseas markets and overseas needs. They have got the organisation of agents and representatives of experience, who follow up their sales and make sure that their customers get the best results.

Just two examples may be given.

One is of a Diesel Road Roller sent out to South Africa, on which the following report was made:—"The engine started at the very first turn, and one can only compare its running with that of a high-priced motor car. I should like to add that the machine runs most excellently and is simplicity itself in control."

Another is of a cable ploughing tackle burning alcohol fuel in South America after two seasons' heavy work:—"The engines are standing well up to their work. In fact, no connecting rod bottom-end bearings have had to be taken up yet or any small ends re-bushed. Practically no wear is showing on the cylinder walls and no piston rings have been changed. The valve faces are perfect . . . . &c."

These two cases, which actually refer to machinery built by Messrs. John Fowler & Co. (Leeds), Ltd., are only typical of the many received by experienced and responsible British manufacturers every year.

PIG IRON POSITION

The pig iron position is growing steadily more acute. Latest reports indicate a strong demand with a marked lack of supplies. Consumers are not only coming forward freely with their orders, but are now willing to buy right up to the end of the year. Makers, on the other hand, are sold out, being heavily booked up to the end of September and themselves using a large proportion of their output for their own steel works. Hematite iron is also becoming scarcer, with nothing on offer for sale before the turn of the half year. It is evident, therefore, that the lighting of additional blast furnaces cannot be much longer delayed, even if to induce makers to do so prices have to be advanced.

HONG KONG MARKET PRODUCE.

APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

Butcher Meat.

			June 21, 1929. Cts.	June, 1918. Cts.	June, 1914. Cts.
Beef Sirloin	牛尾把	lb.	28	24	12
„ Prime Cut		„	30	28	11
„ Corned	咸牛肉	„	—	23	12
„ Roast	燒牛肉	„	28	24	22
„ Breast	牛腩	„	24	20	18
„ Soup	湯肉	„	24	20	18
„ Steak	牛排	„	28	24	22
„ Steak Sirlon	牛柳	„	36	30	35
„ Sausages	牛腸	„	32	26	20
Bullock's Brains	牛腦	per set	15	10	12
„ Tongue, fresh	牛脷	each	65	50	60
„ Tongue, corned	咸牛脷	„	—	60	—
„ Head	牛頭	„	$1.20	—	$1.20
„ Heart	牛心	lb.	24	18	14
„ Hump, Salt	牛肩	„	24	20	18
„ Feet	牛脚	each	10	10	12
„ Kidneys	牛腰	„	15	10	12
„ Tail	牛尾	„	25	20	22
„ Liver	牛肝	lb.	24	18	14
„ Tripe	牛肚	„	8	6	7
Calves' Head & Feet	牛仔頭脚	set	$1.20	$1.00	$1.00
Mutton Chop	羊排	lb.	45	26	—
„ Leg	羊腿	„	45	26	—
„ Shoulder	羊手	„	44	24	—
„ Saddle	羊鞍肉	„	45	—	—
Pig's Chitlings	猪腸	„	80	—	27
„ Brains	猪腦	Per set	3	—	12
„ Feet	猪脚	lb.	16	15	—
„ Fry	猪什頭	„	30	15	18
„ Head	猪頭	„	18	20	—
„ Heart	猪心	each	15	10	10
„ Kidneys	猪腰	„	13	10	3
„ Liver	猪肝	lb.	48	30	24
Pork Chop	猪排骨	„	35	25	23
„ Leg	猪後腰	„	36	—	—
„ Loin	猪後腰	„	38	60	70
„ Fat or Lard	猪油	„	21	21	—
Sheep's Head & Feet	羊頭脚	per set	92	60	70
„ Heart	羊心	each	11	8	7
„ Kidneys	羊腰	„	15	12	10
„ Liver	羊肝	„	46	26	25
Sucking Pigs, to order	乳猪	lb.	25	25	22
Suet, Beef	鮮牛油	„	30	20	18
„ Mutton	鮮羊油	„	45	26	26
Veal	牛仔肉	„	30	20	20
„ Sausages	牛仔腸	„	32	—	—
„ „ No. 1		„	28	—	—

Fish.

Barbel	鮫魚	lb.	35	16	24
Bream	扁魚	„	30	20	16
Canton Fresh Water Fish.	省城淡水塘魚	„	28	—	—
Carp	鯉魚	„	30	13	16
Catfish	鯽魚	„	32	16	27
Codfish	鱈魚	„	85	12	9
Crabs	蟹	„	35	16	27
Cuttle Fish	墨魚	„	34	23	26
Dab		„	22	16	27
Dace		„	34	23	16
Dog Fish	黃魚	„	15	20	—
Eels, Conger	鰻魚	„	25	10	8
„ Fresh Water	海水魚	„	30	16	—
„ Yellow	黃魚	„	20	10	18
Frogs	田雞	„	48	26	30
Garoupa	石斑魚	„	65	32	25
Gudgeon	白甲魚	„	32	40	30
Herrings	鯖魚	„	24	22	18
Halibut	鰈魚	„	28	18	23
Labrus	鱸魚	„	45	18	15
Loach	鰍魚	„	40	22	18
Lobsters	龍蝦	„	26	22	24
Mackerel	青衣魚	„	50	32	21
Monk Fish	鮟鱇魚	„	30	20	26
Mullet	公魚	„	28	13	2
Oysters	蠔	„	28	12	2
Parrot Fish	鸚哥魚	„	32	16	22
Perch	鱸魚	„	25	14	9
Pike	班魚	„	28	20	15
Plaice	白鰈魚	„	35	16	9
Pomfret, White	鯧魚	„	36	26	29
Pomfret, Black	烏鯧魚	„	38	36	30
Prawns	蝦	„	35	36	45
Ray	魟魚	„	70	10	14
Rock Fish	石斑魚	„	18	10	14
Roach	鯽魚	„	22	13	18
		„	28	22	10
Salmon	三文魚	„	48	36	30
Shark	鯊魚	„	16	8	10
Skate	魟魚	„	16	10	10
Shrimps	蝦	„	56	32	30
Snapper	立魚	„	48	26	35
Soles	龍利	„	32	28	28
Tench	左口魚	„	22	22	18
Turbot	比目魚	„	25	18	12
Turtles, small, fr. water	細水龜	„	1.05	40	—

Poultry.

			June 21, 1929. Cts.	June, 1918. Cts.	June, 1914. Cts.
Chicken	鷄	lb.	60	30	31
Capons, Small	線鷄	„	55	28	30
Capons, Large	肥線鷄	„	60	28	30
Duck	鴨	„	45	22	21
Doves	斑鳩	each	—	22	21
Eggs, Hen (cooking)	鷄蛋	per doz.	28	18	—
Eggs, Hen (fresh)	新鮮鷄蛋	„	32	25	20
Fowls, Canton	本地鷄	lb.	70	36	24
Fowls, Hainan	海南鷄	„	50	35	24
Geese	鵝	„	40	24	24
Pigeons, Canton	白鴿	each	55	30	—
„ Hoihow	海口鴿	„	35	28	—
Turkeys, Cock	火鷄公	lb.	—	—	—
Turkeys, Hen	火鷄種	„	—	51	45
Snipe	沙追	„	—	—	—
Pheasant	山鷄	pair	—	—	—
Quail	鵪鶉	each	—	—	2
Partridges	鷓鴣	„	—	—	—

Fruits.

Almonds	杏仁	lb.	60	35	—
Apples (California)	金山蘋菓	„	24	24	—
Bananas (bride's)	蕉山香蕉	„	6	4	—
Carambola	楊桃	„	—	12	—
Cocoanuts	椰子	each	14	10	10
Lemons, China	檸檬	lb.	14	25	30
Lemons (American)	金山檸檬	each	8	8	—
Lichees, Dried	荔枝干	lb.	—	25	30
Oranges (Canton)	新會甜橙	„	24	—	—
Oranges	橙	„	28	—	15
Pears (Canton)	沙梨	„	—	—	—
Peanuts	花生	„	14	10	12
Persimmons, Large	紅柿	„	—	12	—
Plantain	大蕉	„	6	8	—
Pumelo, Siam	暹羅柚	each	16	12	6
Walnuts	合桃	lb.	18	—	16
Grapes	菩提子	„	55	—	—

Vegetables, &c.

Artichokes	鴨芝竹	each	12	—	8
Beans, Sprout	芽菜	lb.	5	—	7
„ Long	芸豆角	„	12	8	—
Beet Root	紅蘿蔔	„	12	—	—
Bitter Squash	苦青瓜	„	6	24	—
Brinjals, Green	青瓜	„	6	5	8
„ Red	紅瓜	„	6	5	8
Cabbage, Chinese	芥菜	„	10	—	—
„ (Shanghai)	椰菜	„	14	12	—
Cane Shoots, bunch	蘆筍	„	10	—	—
Cauliflower (Large)	大椰菜花	each	—	—	—
„ (Medium)	中椰菜花	„	—	—	—
„ (Small)	細椰菜花	„	—	6	6
Carrots	金笋	lb.	7	6	6
Celery, Chinese	塘奥菜	„	—	10	6
Chillies, Dried	干辣椒	„	24	25	5
„ Red	紅辣椒	„	28	10	16
„ Green	青花椒	„	15	8	12
Curry Stuff, English	咖喱材料	„	10	8	—
Cucumbers	青瓜	„	6	2	—
Garlic	蒜頭	„	10	6	6
Ginger, Young	薑	„	28	7	—
„ Old	老薑	„	30	10	—
Horseradish, Shanghai		„	32	8	4
Indian Corn	粟米	„	8	45	—
Lettuce	生菜	„	6	1	—
Water Chestnuts	馬蹄	„	8	—	8
„ Mandarin	桂林馬蹄	„	10	—	8
Mushrooms, Fresh	鮮草菰	„	45	—	8
Okroes		„	14	1	10
Onions, Bombay	洋葱頭	„	8	3	3
„ Green	生葱	„	6	4	6
„ Shanghai	上海葱頭	„	6	6	—
Parsley	芹菜	„	20	60	8
Potato, Sweet	番薯	„	5	3	—
„ Japanese	日本薯仔	„	—	3	—
„ American	金山薯仔	„	5	3	—
Pumpkin	冬瓜	„	5	4	4
Radish	紅蘿蔔仔	„	5	—	—
Rhubarb (Fresh)	大干菜	„	15	—	10
Shallots	干葱頭	„	10	—	8
Spinach	菜	„	6	8	—
Tomatoes	番茄	„	8	4	—
Taros	芋頭	„	7	7	—
Turnips, Punti (Long)	蘿蔔	„	6	6	—
Vegetable Marrow	西洋菜	„	6	4	—
Water Cress		„	3	15	—
Water Lily Root	蓮	„	4	6	—

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S. LACK,
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MONTEVIDEO MARU ..... Tuesday, 30th July.

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CHIFUKU MARU ..... Thursday, 4th July.
SHUNKO MARU ..... Friday, 19th July.

DURBAN, LOURENCO MARQUES, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MOMBASA—Via Singapore & Colombo.
PANAMA MARU ..... Sunday, 7th July.

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BORNEO MARU ..... Thursday, 18th July.

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HAVANA MARU ..... Wednesday, 17th July.

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KASADO MARU ..... Tuesday, 9th July.
AMAZON MARU ..... Tuesday, 9th July.
BATAVIA MARU ..... Sunday, 14th July.

KEELUNG—Via Swatow & Amoy.
HOZAN MARU ..... Sunday, 30th June 3 p.m.
CANTON MARU ..... Sunday, 7th July 3 p.m.

TAKAO—Via SWATOW & AMOY.
DELI MARU ..... Thursday, 4th July, noon.

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SHIPPING SECTION.

CHINA COAST

RECENT CHANGES IN PERSONNEL

Captain J. H. Hogkiss, of the "Kanchow," has gone master, "Soochow."

Mr. J. T. J. Layton, chief officer, "Soochow," has gone acting master, "Kanchow."

Mr. J. R. Liley, extra chief officer, "Woosung," is on Home leave.

Captain R. Ritchie, of the "Anking," is on reserve.

Mr. W. R. Kermode, extra chief officer, "Hsin Peking," is on reserve.

Mr. M. Defty, extra second officer, "Shuntien," has gone acting chief officer, "Woosung."

Mr. R. J. Powrie, extra chief officer, "Hsin Peking," has gone chief officer, "Shengking."

Mr. J. W. Jenkins, chief officer, "Fatshan," is on reserve.

Mr. S. Aherne, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Fatshan."

Mr. C. C. Evans, second officer, "Kingyuan," has resigned.

Mr. T. A. Ellis, from reserve, has gone acting chief officer, "Sinkiang."

Mr. H. D. Taylor, second officer, "Tean," has gone second officer, "Nanchang."

Mr. R. Bird, second officer, "Nanchang," has gone second officer, "Tean."

Mr. D. D. Richards, chief officer, "Sinkiang," has gone master, "Tean."

Captain C. H. Walker, of the "Tean," is on reserve.

Mr. G. J. Hatch, third engineer officer, "Tungchow," has resigned from the C.N. Co.

Mr. C. S. Murray, second engineer officer, "Soochow," has gone second engineer officer, "Nanning."

Mr. A. N. Winstone, second engineer officer, "Nanning," has gone second engineer officer, "Soochow."

Mr. J. Reid, third engineer officer, "Kiukiang," has gone third engineer officer, "Yunnan."

Mr. A. B. Blair, second engineer officer, "Tungchow," has resigned from the C.N. Co.

Mr. H. S. Beech, second engineer officer, "Tatung," has gone second engineer officer, "Tungchow."

Mr. C. Duff, from Home, has gone third engineer officer, "Chusan."

Mr. S. Schofield, second officer, "Fooshing," has gone second officer, "Suiwo."

Mr. J. Turbyne, third officer, "Fooshing," has gone extra second officer, "Leesang."—Shipping and Engineering.

LLOYD'S REGISTER

IMPORTANT APPOINTMENTS

The Committee of Lloyd's Register of Shipping have announced two appointments of importance and interest to the shipping community generally, namely, that of Mr. T. Shaw to the principal surveyorship at Newcastle-on-Tyne, and Dr. Pickworth, to succeed Mr. Shaw as principal surveyor at Sunderland.

Mr. Shaw, who was born at West Boldon, obtained his practical experience with Messrs. S. P. Austin and Son, Ltd., and the Naval Construction and Armaments Co., Ltd. From the post of chief draughtsman at Messrs. Austin's he joined Lloyd's Register in 1899, and was stationed at Newcastle for twelve years. During the war he was loaned by the Committee of Lloyd's Register to the Ministry of Munitions, and undertook important work on behalf of the French Government.

A keen educationalist and sportsman, Mr. Shaw realises the value of team work, and has been most successful in maintaining harmonious relations between the units of the commercial "team" which produces, controls, and maintains the ships of the Empire. These attributes, coupled with a profound knowledge of every branch of the activities of Lloyd's Register, will undoubtedly be keenly appreciated in the wider sphere of activities to which Mr. Shaw has now been promoted.

Dr. Pickworth received his early training at Messrs. Ropner and Sons and Messrs. Workman Clark and Co. Ltd. He obtained a first-class honours in naval architecture, and also a Durham County Senior Exhibition at Armstrong College. He was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Science in 1909, and that of Doctor of Science in 1924 for special research work on the important question of corrosion.

Joining the staff of Lloyd's Register in 1911, Dr. Pickworth served at Glasgow, London, Sunderland, and Hartlepool, with the qualifications enumerated, coupled with sound practical experience and unfailing affability, Dr. Pickworth is assured of a warm welcome to Sunderland.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS

The B.I. s.s. "Sirdhana" left Singapore for this port on June 26, p.m., and is due here on July 2, a.m.

The B.I. s.s. "Santhia" will leave Amoy for this port on July 2, p.m., and is due here on July 3, p.m.

The Ben Line s.s. "Benvrackie" from Middlesbro', Antwerp, London and Straits left Singapore for this port on June 28, and is due to arrive here on July 4.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE

Consignees of cargo ex C.S. "Timavo" are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after July 2.

Official notification has been received by the head office in London of the appointment, of Mr. A. E. Plant as European Comptroller of the Canadian National Railways, with jurisdiction over all accounting in Great Britain and on the Continent.

Sir K. Neville Cunliffe, Mr. A. D. MacTier (vice-president, Canadian Pacific Railway), and Mrs. MacTier sailed last month from Southampton for Canada in the liner "Empress of Australia."

W. CANADA TO SEA

THE BUILDING OF PORT CHURCHILL

Hudson Bay is now on the railway map of the Dominion. By linking this historic body of water with the outer world by railway yet another epic has been added to the glorious saga of Canadian achievement, and the speedy laying of the track constitutes in truth the accomplishment of what many people deemed to be impossible.

The last link of the temporary track has been laid, the stores and necessaries for the development of the seaport and railway terminus have been successfully unloaded at Churchill, and the building of the port is proceeding apace.

With the advent of spring, the grading gangs took up their interrupted work of ballasting the temporary track, one gang working up from the south, while at the same time another party began working its way towards them from Churchill. Somewhere along the track the parties will meet, most likely early next August, and the golden spike will be driven by Right Honourable George P. Graham, who, as Minister of Railways and Canals, turned at The Pas, Manitoba, the first sod in the construction of the railway.

Owing to the large amount of work to be done on the port facilities, engineers expect that the first shipments of grain will not be made until the season of 1930.

WHALE FACTORY

SHIPBUILDERS AND WHALING-SHIP WORK

The contract which Messrs. Cammell Laird and Co. have secured for converting the oil tanker "San Patricio" into a floating whale factory comes as still another reminder of the important contribution which the whaling business is making just now to British shipbuilding. This contract, for example, follows one placed two or three weeks ago with the Palmers' Shipbuilding Company, on the Tyne, for the further conversion of the "Hektoria," formerly the White Star liner "Medic," while just recently Sir W. G. Armstrong, Whitworth and Company, on the Tyne, secured an order for a combined tanker and whaling factory of 18,000 tons d.w. for service in the Antarctic. Prior to that, Smith's Dock Company, at Middlesbrough, booked half a dozen handy-sized whaling steamers from Norway, this following a previous order for a like number of similar vessels on hand. In all, therefore, our shipbuilders have done very well out of the whaling business this year.

BALTIMORE PORT

Shipping activities at the port of Baltimore maintained a good average during April, according to the monthly report of the export and import board. The total foreign trade vessel movement included entrances of 158 vessels of 471,951 net tons, and clearances of 156 vessels of 465,710 net tons. This compares with entrances of 140 vessels of 398,942 net tons, and clearances of 134 vessels of 394,124 net tons in April, 1928. In the coastwise trade 126 vessels of 275,972 net tons entered, and 162 vessels of 325,777 net tons cleared.

ALBANY PORT

Work is to be speeded up in connection with the Albany port development as soon as the present high water of the Hudson River recedes sufficiently to enable operations to progress. It is hoped to have the port completed and in full running order by the close of 1931. The commission plans to spend more than $1,000,000 during the construction season of 1929. Bids will shortly be opened for furnishing and installing 37 cast iron bollards for the dock, to which lines of boats will be fastened. An issue of $2,000,000 of bonds is planned by the Port Commission.

THE ROPNER SHIP YARD

So many yards are closed down on the Tees that it is good news to know that the Ropner shipyard is not to be one of the number. It has been bought by one of the most enterprising and successful firms on the North-East Coast, which certainly of late has never lacked work, and just now is exceptionally busy. It is said that at present Smith's Dock Company do not propose to lay down any vessels in their newly acquired yard, but that may be, seeing that their arrangements for immediate building are already made. What is important is that the yard is to be turned to account and will not lie idle. It is not invidious to say that the yard has got into good hands, and if there is any shipbuilding firm on the Tees that is likely to find work for it, that firm is Smith's Dock Company.

POLISH COAL FACILITIES

The railway administration in Poland is reported to be making strenuous efforts to complete the railway line that will shorten the journey from the coalfields to the coast by 180 kilometres not later than the end of next year. When this line is complete Polish coal will have a shorter distance to travel and, presumably, a still lower cost of transport than at present. To that extent, therefore, Polish coal exporters will be further advantaged in competing with British and other coal in the oversea trade.

A recent Toronto message, reads:—Mr. Martin, the Ontario Minister for Colonisation, stated that over 1,000 Welsh miners would sail from England soon for settlement on farms in Ontario. Mr. Martin added: "We have plenty of room for them."

STEAMSHIP OWNERS

VISIT OF BALTIC CONFERENCE; COASTCON AND MEDCON

SANITARY CONVENTION

At the monthly meeting of the committee of management of the North of England Steamship Owners' Association held at Newcastle, under the presidency of Mr. F. L. Dawson, reports were submitted with regard to the progress of the entertainment of the overseas delegates of the Baltic and International Maritime Conference, who were to hold their meeting in Newcastle between June 10 and 14.

Correspondence with the Documentary Committee of the Chamber of Shipping with regard to clauses in the Coastcon and Medcon charters which are affected by the agreement was recently entered into with the trimmers and teemers for working overtime on a recent Saturday afternoon to finish a vessel.

A communication from the Mercantile Marine Department of the Board of Trade to the Chamber of Shipping was read, advising members, with respect to the Portuguese Decree to the effect that all vessels entering the port of Lisbon will be called upon to produce a certificate showing that they have been cleared of rats during the previous six months and that the Customs and maritime authorities will refuse to clear a vessel unless the captain or agent can produce a certificate duly signed by the health authorities of the port. In discussion, it was pointed out that the necessary fumigation, if desired, may be performed in Britain.

A complaint was made by a member of the very high stevedoring rates in the Tyne for the discharge of fruit, and it was agreed to submit the particulars to the stevedoring committee of the association to deal with.

LATVIAN STOWAWAY

TO BE DETAINED NOW AS A VAGRANT

A Latvian named Edward Jerums, who has just completed a term of one month's imprisonment for stowing away, was produced in Mr. E. W. Hamilton's Court this morning on a charge of being a vagrant.

Detective-Sergeant Whant told the Magistrate that it was useless to release Jerums and allow him to wander about, as he might be tempted to try to stow away in another ship and get himself into trouble again.

The Officer suggested that the best thing for Jerums was to send him to the House of Detention whilst an effort was made to secure a job for him.

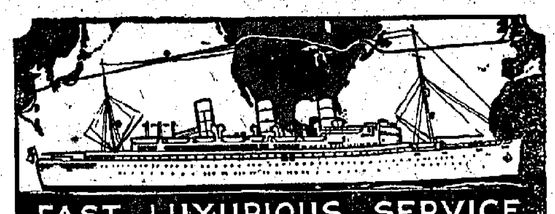
The Magistrate made the order of committal to the House.

INSTITUTE OF MARINE ENGINEER

The periodic publication of the Institute of Marine Engineers reminds us that two useful shipping congresses will be held in 1929. In September the Shipping and Engineering Exhibition will open in Olympia, and in October the Engineering Congress will commence in Tokyo. Mr. A. Watt, a vice-president of the Institute, will represent the society, and the papers to be read on behalf of the Institute are:—"Modern Tendencies in Oil Engine Design," by Mr. W. S. Burn, M.Sc., and "Modern Developments of Marine Steam Propulsion," by Mr. G. R. Hutchinson. In this way Japan will get the measured views of Britain on the motorship and the steamer—both thrown into contrast by experts.

The "Lafayette," the largest French liner, has just been launched at St. Nazaire. She is 698 feet long, and will have a tonnage of 25,000. Her engines will develop 18,000 horsepower.

The Hamburg-Amerika Line recently called at Galway with the "Cleveland" en route to Halifax, Boston and New York.



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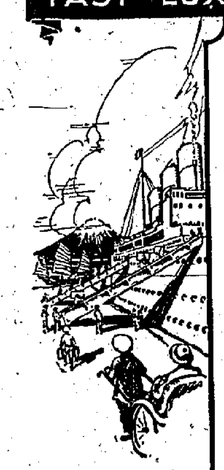

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TALMA	10,000	1st	Aug.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KASHMIR	8,985	2nd	Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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PROGRESSIVE POLICY

The Right Hon. Lord Kylsant, G.C.M.G., chairman of the company presided at the annual general meeting of shareholders of the African Steam Ship Co., which was held in London.

The secretary read the notice convening the meeting and the auditors' certificate.

The Chairman, in moving the adoption of the report and accounts, said:—The report and accounts have been in your hands for some days, and I assume that you will wish them to be taken as read.

The African Steam Ship Company is the oldest British shipping company connected with the trade of West Africa, having been incorporated by Royal Charter granted by Queen Victoria 77 years ago.

In those remote days, the trade of West Africa was of a primitive nature, and of small dimensions, but, by always providing steamship service commensurate with, and even ahead of, the requirements of the trade, our company has helped to build up British interests on the West African coast, and assisted the development of those tropical territories which form an important part of our Colonial Empire.

Accounts

The accounts for the year ended December 31, 1928, set out clearly the financial position of the company, and do not call for any special comment.

The directors are glad to be able again to recommend the payment of a dividend on the Ordinary shares, which with the interim dividend already paid, makes a total distribution for the year of 5 per cent., less income tax.

Whilst following a conservative financial policy, your directors have aimed at ensuring that the shareholders receive a reasonable return on their capital, and the fact that we have been able, for more than 40 years without a break, to pay a moderate dividend is, I think, justification of the soundness of the policy we have pursued.

Depreciation at the usual rate has been written off the first cost of the fleet.

Fleet

We have maintained our fleet in good order and condition, and it now comprises 38 vessels aggregating over 182,000 tons gross register.

In pursuance of our policy of keeping not only abreast of the needs of the trade, but in advance of its requirements, we have placed an order for the construction of another fine motor passenger vessel for our express service, of increased speed and superior accommodation, and we hope that the development of the trade of West Africa will justify the confidence of the board in ordering this fine new vessel.

We have also placed orders for the construction of four motor cargo vessels, two of which are being built by the Ardrossan Dockyard, Ltd., and two by Messrs. D. and W. Henderson and Co., Ltd.

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During the year we have disposed of the passenger steamer "Elmina" as being no longer suited to our requirements.

During the period of more than ten years that have elapsed since the end of the war, casualties to our fleet have been remarkably few, and credit is due to the sea-going personnel of the company for the skill and care they have devoted to the interests entrusted to them.

West African Trade

Throughout this company's long history, its fortunes have fluctuated with the ups and downs of the trade of the West African Coast, but I am glad to say that the volume of trade was maintained during last year.

In the course of British Colonial development I believe there never has been a time when so much close attention and practical support on the part of the Imperial Government has been given to the territories which come under the administration of the Colonial Office and of the governors and officials on the spot.

The various personal visits of ministers and Colonial Office officials to the African Colonies have enabled the actual conditions and the nature of the problems involved to be studied more closely than ever before, and it is increasingly realised that in the further development of the British possessions oversea lies one of the most fruitful mediums for the revival of prosperity in this country.

This view is finding practical expression in improvement of rail and road facilities and provision of new and better harbour accommodation.

As a company, we are keeping our fleet fully up-to-date, and our organisation is well equipped to continue to do its part in assisting the development of the overseas trade of West Africa.

I now beg to move that the report and accounts be received and adopted.

Mr. G. W. Neville seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. David Jones, it was unanimously agreed that a dividend of 2½ per cent. be declared for the six months ending 31st December, 1928, which, with the interim dividend of 2½ per cent. paid on 19th October, 1928, made a total of 5 per cent. for the year 1928, less income tax.

Mr. David Jones moved, and Mr. O. Harrison Wilson seconded, that Lord Kylsant, G.C.M.G., be re-elected to the board.

Formal business terminated the meeting.

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Cholera: Calcutta (57), Rangoon (3), Bangkok 9 (5), Pnom Penh 2, Saigon 55 (49), Amoy 3, Canton 5 (3), Tuticorin 15 (10).

Small-pox: Aden 10 (6), Basrah 1, Bombay 36 (27), Calcutta 8 (7), Karachi 10 (7), Madras 28 (8), Negapatam 1, Vizagapatam 2 (1), Macasser 5 (4), Pnom Penh 2, Shanghai (2), Canton 3, Dairen 4 (1), Swatow (12).

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June 28 to July 4, 1929.

Date		High Water		Lower Water.	
June		Standard Times	Ht	Standard Times	Ht
Fri.	28	m 3 14	5.7	m 5 6	3.6
		6 20 a	6.2	8 34 a	1.4
Sat.	29	m 3 50	3.9	m 6 24	3.7
		1 23 a	6.7	9 20 a	1.7
Sun.	30	m 4 22	4.3	m 8 31	3.7
		2 49 a	5.2	10 6 a	2.0
Mon.	1	m 4 52	4.8	m 10 32	3.3
		4 20 a	4.8	10 50 a	2.3
Tues.	2	m 5 23	5.4	0 3 a	2.6
		5 54 a	4.4	11·31 a	2.5
Wed.	3	m 5 57	6.1	1 16 a	1.8
		7 9 a	4.2		
Thurs	4	m 6 33	6.7	m 0 11	2.7
		8 18 a	4.1	2 11 a	1.0

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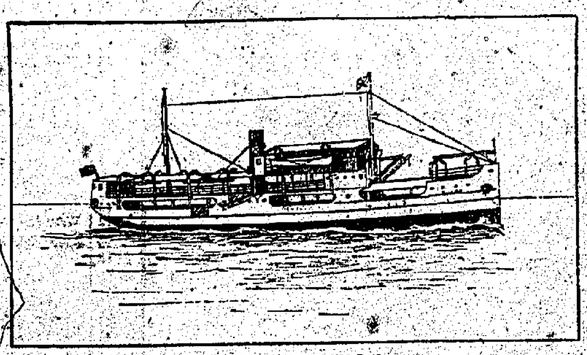
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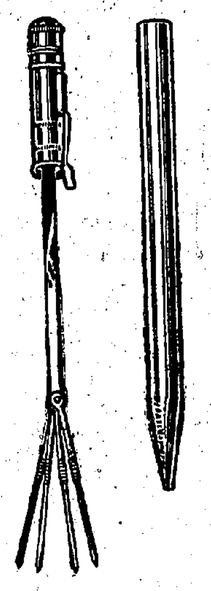

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STILL WATERS

"Reflected Glory" For Hong Kong

Reflected glory is surely better than no glory at all. Therefore, when we see the names of two playwrights, well-known in Hong Kong, figuring not only prominently in London's theatrical world but likewise collaborating, surely it should "give us pause" or, as our American friends tersely express it, cause us to "sit up and take notice."

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Wodehouse And "Ian Hay"

The collaborators in question are P. P. J. Wodehouse and "Ian Hay." Here, in Hong Kong, the name of Wodehouse is well-known, as it is that of our respected Deputy Captain Superintendent of Police, brother of the playwright mentioned. The name of "Ian Hay" is perhaps not quite so well-known in the Colony as that of our very able fellow citizen—Mr. B. D. F. Beith, "Ewo's" taipan, who is the brother of "Ian Hay"—Lt.-Col. Beith.

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Popular Dramatists of To-day

And so Hong Kong, which, so far, has not evolved a playwright of its own, basks in the reflected glory of Wodehouse and Beith ("Ian Hay") who, unquestionably, are popular dramatists in many parts of the world.

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Wodehouse And "Wayfoong"

Of Wodehouse, who is even more widely known as a short-story writer than as a playwright, it is said that when he was a clerk in the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank (in London) he was much more devoted to his literary work than to the toting up of dollars, cents or L.S.D. One of his pen sketches that appeared in a popular magazine was so remarkably reminiscent of one of the venerable chiefs of "Wayfoong" that young Wodehouse's banking career (possibly owing to that reason or some other of the kind) was brought suddenly to an end. Since then he has gone steadily on in popularity as a writer and today probably has earned more money than he ever handled as a bank clerk.

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Bank Clerk Or Story-Writer

And this, of course, conclusively proves that, whereas a youth may be but an indifferent bank clerk, he may be—(as in the case of Wodehouse)—a wonderfully popular stor-writer and dramatist. But, for all that, we fervently hope that Hong Kong's bank clerks will not try the experiment without giving the matter very, very serious consideration, for clever writing (even of the "popular variety") is not quite so easy as it sometimes seems. Better, much better, to earn a bank clerk's salary than to wait a considerable time before realising that one cannot earn any at all as a writer.

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"Not Popular For Nothing"

But to return to our collaborators — Wodehouse and "Ian Hay" (otherwise Beith). As we have stated, quite a lot is to be expected nowadays from either as indeed both have given us good reason that they are "not popular for nothing." If Wodehouse had written nothing more — and it is quite a lot in itself—than his many short stories, he would have deserved well of the multitude of magazine readers—(at least of the lighter order of ephemeral fiction)—but also he wrote "What Happened to Psmith" and many other quite "merry and bright" stories. And "Ian Hay," (perhaps because he is a Scotsman") strikes a more serious—(though not too serious a note)—is well-known as the author of "The First 10,000" and, even better known, as the deservedly popular author of a really bright play that was, not so long ago, really brightly played by Hong Kong's A.D.C., namely, "The Sport of Kings."

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"Baa, Baa Black Sheep"

Well, one would have supposed that from two such popular writers — (indirectly identified with Hong Kong) that their collaboration would produce at least a genuine work of genius. But it is not so. Their play, which is (or was) running in London recently is entitled—what do you think? Well, merely "Baa, Baa, Black Sheep." The London "Daily Telegraph" says so "and so it must be so." That distinguished journal also says of it that it is a "silly but funny play." Doubtless it is, for a play with such a title as "Baa, Baa, Black Sheep," even though it might be very funny could hardly escape being classed as "silly." Perhaps the collaborators have quite a clear idea of the kind of readers they mostly attract and the kind of audience whom they wish to "roll up" to see their plays. But "Baa, Baa, Black Sheep," if not "the limit" as a title, is surely the limit of endurance on the part of London's play-goers.

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Hong Kong Is Thrilled

And to think that such a play with such a title comes from those whose glory reflects (second-hand) a certain amount of literary prestige on this tight little Colony of Hong Kong should surely set us a-thinking. Not since Somerset Maughan wrote "The Painted Veil" (all about us) have we felt so thrilled!

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Mr. H. W. Looker and Capt. Wise.

Before the results of the General Election are a thing of the past, mention might be made of two candidates — both alas, among the unsuccessful—who were formerly associated with the Colony—Mr. Herbert Looker and Captain Wise. Though it is now quite a few years since Mr. Looker practised as a solicitor among us—(he was for years a partner with "Deacons") he is still well remembered and highly esteemed by many in Hong Kong, who noted his Parliamentary activities during the past few years with deep interest. From 1924 until the recent close of Mr. Baldwin's administration, Mr. Looker had represented South East Essex with conspicuous success, and he was gradually becoming quite a well-known figure in the House of Commons.

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On The High Road To Success

Frequently, he made pertinent statements with regard to Far Eastern affairs, regarding which he was an acknowledged authority. It is not improbable that had the Conservative Party been successful at the Election, at least a minor Ministerial post of importance would have been offered to our erstwhile citizen. But, alas! what with defeat for himself in his constituency—even though by a narrow majority — (fully 10,000 votes going to him)—and his Party being eclipsed, the potential post will have to be regarded as "something deferred."

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Why Not M.P. For Hong Kong

Of Captain Wise we have to confess that we know nothing with regard to his connection with the Colony. He, as stated, also shared the fate of a large number of Conservative candidates. Evidently it was his first venture into the political arena. Perhaps he will be luckier on the next occasion. If not, perhaps he might again get in touch with the Colony and be Hong Kong's "very own" House of Commons representative or the member for Kowloon with a special mission from the K.R.A. It is high time that we were represented in the Commons. Macao is in Lisbon, so why not Hong Kong in London?

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The Automatic Telephone

In the course of a statement made last week at the annual meeting of the Shanghai Mutual Telephone Co., Ltd., Mr. J. H. Wilson, the Deputy Engineer-in-Chief, said:—

[In London it was estimated that it would require 20 years to substitute the automatic for the manual system, in Paris from 15 to 20 years. In Oslo, in 1919, he (Mr. Wilson) helped in two exchanges. He recently received information that the entire system of 40,000 lines had just been completed.]

How long, therefore, is it likely to be before the automatic system will be in working order in Hong Kong?

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Duckling Trained to Sing & Dance

Names must be left out of this paragraph for fear of making the "hero" blush: but it is perfectly true to say that there is a Civil Servant in the Colony who has vowed to retain a duckling to sing and dance. It came about this way. The officer concerned was down at one of the river steamboat wharves when someone, just for fun, pressed what appeared to be an outsize in eggs into his palm. In the same spirit, the recipient pocketed the egg and forgot about it until he reached his quarters when he cast the egg to—as he thought—oblivion to wit, a packing case in the corner of a room, cheek by jowl with the radio set. Some days afterwards, the radio went wrong and the owner thereupon began to tinker with it when he heard faint whimperings which he traced to the long ignored box. What did he see then? The duckling trying to quack, looking up at him pathetically hungry but nevertheless disdainful of his shell. The egg had been hatched! The breeder called in the fellow-occupants of his quarters who one and all adopted and christened the duckling. "Chow" was procured and, at its first meal, the duckling showed such promise of being able to quack and strut that the vow was taken about the singing and dancing exercises to follow. Both child and foster-father are doing well, thank you.

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The Philharmonic's Choice

The announcement that our local Philharmonic Society hope to give performances of "The Geisha," as their next public venture, has been received with much interest by Hong Kong's music-lovers. "The Geisha" is a happy choice, if for no other reason than that it is many years since it was performed in the Colony, and that it, being light and merry and bright, will be a welcome change from the more solid opera or operetta type of performance. "The Geisha" is light—though not "too light"—musical comedy, and has retained its popularity wonderfully and deservedly.

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Of Ever Green Variety

It is now at least thirty-five years since it was first performed in London, when Miss Marie Tempest (then as well-known as a fine singer of "light music" as she now is as a very accomplished actress of "light comedy") was in the cast as "Mimosa San." If we mistake not, she "created" the part and succeeded admirably in it, as she had done in "Dorothy" a few years earlier. The late Hayden Coffin was the "Geisha's" leading tenor in the original cast, and also was a very great success. That is going "a long way back."

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Popular Then And Now

Since then "The Geisha" has been frequently on the stage both in London and elsewhere and evidently still retains its popularity. Its music and liberetto are of the "sparkling" variety, and among its most popular numbers may be specially mentioned "The Amorous Gold Fish" and "The Jewel of Asia,"—which at one time, all over the world, were sung, whistled or hummed to everyone's heart's content. It will be good to hear them again when our local Philharmonic Society present them in the Theatre Royal next December.

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Charms of Yuetshing Goddess

Opportunities for sightseeing not being so encouraging as in "the old days," it will probably be the old-timer who knows Yuetshing, on the West River. There is a goddess there who is famous throughout the province of Kwangtung. This year, says a correspondent, the celebrations were on a very ambitious scale. The people had suffered less from the molestation of pirates and robbers than in many years past. Many of the gaudy tow-boats which constitute the lifeblood of West River ports were at Yuetshing for as long as four or five days, leaving very few in the trade. Yes, Yuetshing at festival time is well worth seeing! and there are a few very comfortable steamers which go up from Hong Kong regularly under the British flag.

The Government intends to order two flat bottom hardwood barges for the Sanitary Department, each 50 feet in length.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. Paul England Barker to Miss Mary Bertha Watts, of No. 1, Queen's Gardens.

A farewell tea party to Mr. Lim Hoy-lan, Head Master of the Wah Yan College, will be given at the Lane Crawford restaurant at 4 p.m., to-day.

Regulations closing that part of Second-street between Pokfulam-road and Eastern-street (in the Saiyingpun district) are published in the "Gazette."

The following tender has been accepted by the Government:—G.N. No. S. 177, Messrs. Wo Hing & Co., $2,547.60, for repairs to the slipway at Yaumati.

During the absence on leave of Comdr. J. B. Newill, D.S.O., R.N. (retired), Mr. T. W. H. Hosegood (Assistant Harbour Master) will act as Deputy Harbour Master.

The Kowloon Fire Brigade received a call from No. 277, Temple Street, Yaumati, yesterday, a small fire among some blankets being the cause of the alarm. The outbreak was soon extinguished.

The final showings of the excellent Film at the Queen's, "The Lady of the Pavements" are announced to-day. Miss Doris Woods, who sings the Waltz Theme, "I Love You," adds greatly to the success of the picture. Her beautiful voice is heard to great advantage, and is much appreciated. It is a picture that should not be missed.

P'RAPS— P'RAPS NOT!

An alarming incident took place recently in a Piccadilly restaurant. An Aberdonian offered to stand drinks all round. Five men collapsed and had to be taken to hospital. One of them died. Coroner's verdict: "Death from sudden shock."

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"They gave the president of the South American Republic the customary salute of twenty-one guns, but, I'm afraid it was a failure."

"How?"

"They missed him."

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The overweight woman was being watched by two boys as she stepped on the scales. The machine registered seventy-five pounds.

"Gosh Bill, she's hollow."

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Landlady: 'I think you had better board elsewhere.

Boarder: Yes, I often had.

Landlady: Often had what?

Boarder: Better board elsewhere.

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"So you're really going to shoot your husband just for my sake?"

"Yes. I promised him I'd be faithful until death and I couldn't think of telling a lie."

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Imagine how the college professor who was out after butterflies felt when little Johnnie asked: "Are you the dog catcher?"

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"That burglar held me up and demanded my money, but he took only five dollars on account."

"What do you mean, on account?"

"On account of that was all I had."

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Bob, the gob, had returned home and was confiding to his father his intention of settling down with one of the girls of his dreams.

"And now that I've told you I'm going to marry Isobel," he said, "there's one more thing I want to get off my chest."

"What's that?" asked Dad.

"That tattooed heart with Marguerite's name on it."

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Very Pretty Girl (in art gallery): "I believe you have a very beautiful 'constable' here?"

New Attendant: "Dunno, miss unless it's 'Erbert 'ere—'e ain't bad-looking."

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Sue: "What is the correct translation of the motto on that lovely ring you gave me?"

Jack: "Faithful to the last!"

Sue: "How unkind! And you always told me I was the first!"

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"What did you tell father about your prospects?" she asked.

"I told him I expected in the near future to be helped by a rich relative."

"Why, Charles, you told me you had no rich relatives."

"I know it, but I'll have one after the wedding, won't I?"

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Have you heard of the Scotsman who built an apartment house and left the fire escapes off because it was leap year?

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"Do you think a married woman should work?"

"Sure; I don't see why she should go hungry just because she has a husband."

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Buck: What's the difference between my dog and the planet Mars?

Wing: Just what is the difference between your canine and the planet Mars?

Buck: We know that my dog is inhabited.

H. M. the King has not been advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to Ordinance No. 6 of 1929 (an Ordinance to amend the constitution of the Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation).

On the return to the Colony of the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn, C.M.G. his resumption of duty as Colonial Secretary is gazetted, together with Mr. D. W. Tratman's resumption as Clerk of Councils (and Assistant Colonial Secretary).

Mr. Lalchand Watanmal, the Sindhi silk and curio exporter, left Hyderabad on June 4 for Bombay, Madras and Colombo. He is expected to arrive here in the middle of August. He is coming to inspect the branches of his firm in Hong Kong, Canton and Shanghai.

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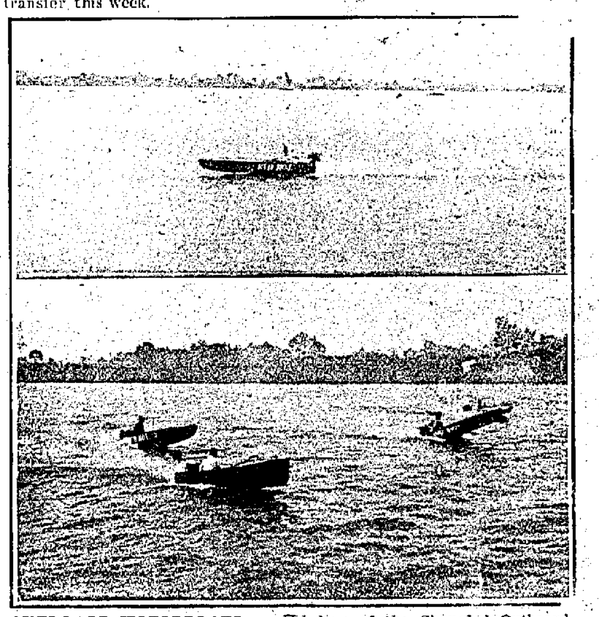
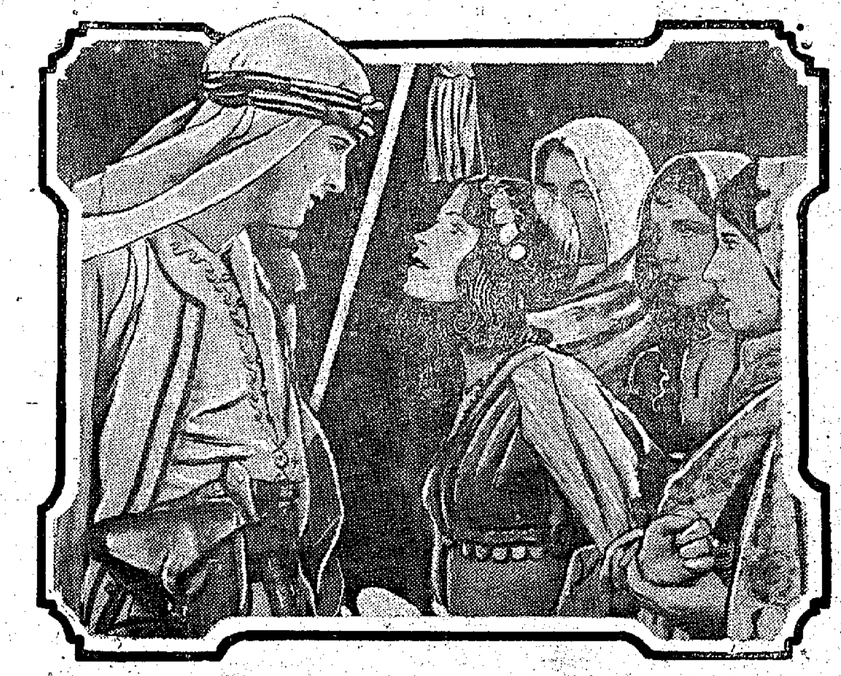
GONE NORTH.—Mr. W. D. Fiddes Wilson, of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., one of the best racing starters in China and hitherto Clerk of the Course of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, who left for Tientsin on transfer this week.



OUTBOARD MOTORBOATS. — Members of the Shanghai Outboard Motorboat Club held a series of trial races on the Whangpoo River at Minghong. The top picture shows "Red Hot" at speed, and the bottom picture shows four boats just before the start of a race. The latter are all moving slowly, as can be noticed from the fact that their sterns are all well down in the water, and the boats have not commenced to "plane." In the foreground is Mr. G. C. Nazer's boat (no name), and behind, left to right, are Mr. W. N. Wells-Henderson's "Red Hot," Mr. Roscoe Hambleton's "Baby Whale" and Mr. C. B. Blaikie's "Joss Man."

LAVA OR CORAL? — "Imitation" rock, part of many beautiful Chinese scenes to be seen at Lee Garden, East Point.

WEDDING IN FAR-OFF YUNNANFU.—Mr. Cyril Augustus Kirke, C.B.E., His Brittanic Majesty's Consul-General in Yunnanfu (in south-west China) and Miss Sybil Esme Sandys (who are marked with crosses) were married in Yunnanfu on June 8. The ceremony was held in St. John's Church by the Rev. R. F. Lankester of the Church Missionary Society. The reception was held in Mr. and Mrs. Lankester's house at which members of the Consular Body and the leading foreign residents and native officials were present.



"FLEETWING."—A scene from the film at the Queen's Theatre to-morrow and Monday, with Barry Norton, Dorothy Janis and Ben Bard in the lead.

YOU DON'T SEE THIS IN HONG KONG.—A scene common at Home but rare out here. A vast crowd of 100,000 on Blackpool sands, during the Whitsuntide holidays. Advantage was taken by Mr. Stanley Baldwin (the ex-Premier) to conduct the Election campaign for the Conservative Party in his tour of the Lancashire coast. He was greeted enthusiastically—but Labour eventually won. In the morning he spoke in the Marine Park, Fleetwood on behalf of Lord Stanley. Later he addressed a huge gathering, part of which is seen above, loud speakers being used to carry his voice to all parts of the beach.—(Sport and General).

"WHILE LONDON SLEEPS."—Walter Merrill, Helene Costello and "Rin Tin Tin," in a fine filmato be shown at the Star to-morrow and Monday.

SUFFICIENT PROTECTION?—The late Sir James Cantlie, who once practised medicine in Hong Kong, raised a question as to what will keep the sun off ladies' necks in summer out here. Above is a cloche of coarse shaded brown straw, with brown and fawn ribbon, by "Wren" of London. It is suggested that the back of the neck will be well protected by this model.

HOCKEY TEAM.—Of No. 5 Platoon, "B" Company, 2nd Batt. King's Own Scottish Borderers.—(K. Fujiyama).

A GRACEFUL SIGHT.—But not at North Point because this is not the local yachting season. What a fine time one could have on a bathing picnic, though, with one of the boats shown here? They belong to the Royal Harwich Yacht Club and are seen in the first big regatta of the Home season.—(Sport and General).

MR. WALTER NAEF & MISS VICTORIA EDITH MANNING, who were married at St. John's Cathedral on June 22.—(K. Fujiyama).

A GERMAN PRODUCTION.—A scene from "Tale of Dreams," the picture at the Queen's Theatre on Tuesday and Wednesday.

The WOMAN'S Page

Chic Notes for Rainy Days

The soft silk ensemble plays a conspicuous role in the midseason wardrobe of the smartly dressed woman.

Faille and flat crepe are the favoured media for the silk costumes and they are fashioned both with short jackets and longer coats.

The silhouette in the ensemble group remains straight—in fact, it is only in the separate coats that any deviation from the straight, slender line is displayed. When the coats of silk costumes are long they are either of seven-eighth or two-third length showing a bit of the dress skirt beneath the hem.

An interesting suggestion of the fitted princess line is featured in the separate coat group. This is noticeable mainly in the back though the front silhouette is slightly widened. In the back a seam down the centre gives a somewhat closer fit to the figure than usual and from the hips there is a sufficient widening to make a subtle, flaring line though without a decided ripple.

But quilting appears—no matter in how small a touch—on all the newer garments.

Both the flat neckline and the high draped collar are carried out in quilted trim. The one-sided rever, bows and scarf ends, as well as the flat scarf lightly attached to the neckline are all effectively developed. In some attractive models, one finds quilting combined with fur, as in an attractive coat of all over quilted black satin trimmed with monkey fur in a high, built up collar and a deep band about the bottom—the fur put on in swirling motifs.

In the short jacket ensemble group, the quilted mode reigns supreme. Here colour is an interesting feature and is skilfully used. Navy blue is paired with a short coat of red, champagne with burnt orange, egg-shell with red and many more attractive combinations.

Such coats, of course, are simple—the pattern of the quilting individualizing each one. The dresses are quite elaborate in all these ensembles. A high waistline and snug hip is the rule in the one-piece frock while the full pleated skirt is also a favourite. Frequently the pleated skirt is mounted on a close-fitting yoke given an added touch by a sash around it and tied in the front—or the yoke may be merely in the back with the sash tied casually across the front pleats.

The quilted coat is the very newest expression of Hollywood couturiers. Billie Dove, beautiful First National star, who has just completed the stellar role in "Careers," wears this lovely white satin coat, quilted with white stitching and having conventional roses appliqued in pastel colours all around the front closing, the hem and the cuffs. A narrow belt is worn with this, expressing the newest edict in waistlines. White grosgrain is used for the chic turban, and white kid slippers with suntan house complete Miss Dove's smart ensemble.

SUMMER LINENS

BOLD COLOURING FOR WEEK-END WEAR

[By The Hon. Mrs. C. W. Forester]

The attraction of summer dresses this year is largely due to the variety in cotton and linen materials, many of them being in those bold designs which characterise modern dress and furnishing fabrics. Colourings are particularly good. These frocks help to vary the inevitable wool and silk garments, and are also good investments for the country wardrobe.

The shade known as "natural" provides an excellent background for the bold graduated black and red stripes of a very new and original linen jumper. These definite lines are a factor in the modern girl's dress. The jumper is pleasingly balanced by a shady Bangkok shape that picks up the dark red shade in the stripe.

Some women may find it difficult to acquire the taste for these new vogues in linen. The designs are curious, but immensely smart. Rodier featured these cubist effects in the autumn for Palm Beach. They also appeared at the early Paris openings. At first there was a doubt whether they would ever succeed. However, they are being cleverly used for sports wear and for country dressing. After all, we have had very similar designs in Angora and Kasha, which created a successful vogue.

Fanciful Patterns

Clever and unusual is a grey Kasha, with a design of yellow silk stripes. A pleated skirt and plain cardigan has a border of yellow silk woven in three graduated stripes, and the grey jumper shows a woven fine striped design in yellow. Rodier gives so many cotton and linen fanciful and flowered designs in bright colours on a white ground.

The blouse or blouse-like corsage is at its best in tiny patterned ginghams. There is a lovely design of coral-pink daisies on a still paler pink ground, made up with a plain pink linen coat lined with the pattern and worn over a box-pleated linen skirt.

The linen ensemble is now an established part of the summer scheme. Some of these ensembles are all in one colour, and pink is popular with young people. Red and red-and-white are still considered smart. Yellow, as I predicted, will give way to a pale green as the warm days come. Blue and white is a particularly happy mixture, and some noted houses feature the darker navy in addition to a variety of blue shades.

Wool Lace Coats

A wool coatee is a great asset in the average English summer. Worn over a sleeveless jumper, in a lovely eggshell-blue shade of lace-wool, bound with wool stitching in deeper tones, it is a becoming addition to the sports wardrobe, being cooler looking than the wool cardigan. It can also be worn over a plain crepella suit if it is in a matching colour.

A fine beige stockinette is used for a jumper and skirt, which is worn with a coarse wool-lace coat, also in beige. These wool laces are most effective. Some of the "fine" ones may have dull metal threads embodied in the weave or a coloured over-design in silk.

Tussore or silken-linen are well suited to tailored garments. Rather original was a plain beige silk linen coat and skirt, with a three-quarter tunic-blouse of beige tussore, patterned with a conventional design in pale blue, and belted with blue-and-beige kid. The plain coat, cut longer than the blouse, showed little of the skirt. A blue straw shady hat and a scarf of beige crepe-de-Chine, edged with blue, gave a cool effect, completed by beige kid shoes with insets of fancy plaited beige-and-blue leather to match the pochette.

Victorian Revival

Now that we have returned to the cotton and linen frocks of the 'nineties, I sense a revival of white dimity curtains and the pink calico dressing-table, with its petticoated frills in large or small spotted muslins.

What else looks so fresh and unsophisticated in country surroundings? Yet how difficult it is to obtain that pink crackle peculiar to the dressing tables that so well harmonised with the chintz wall-papered rooms of Victorian days. These scooped-out wooden tables, with their petticoats of pink-and-white, held a multitude of brushes and muslin oval-dress. A large oval mirror of white Dresden stood on the table, and there were handsome examples of a very fine mahogany bed, wardrobe and chests of the period.

The best result is arrived at by a tasteful combination of old and new effects. But the country house should never fail to convey the sense of welcome which is so essentially British and is so greatly helped by English backgrounds.

Simple Yet Smart

What could be more becoming "workmanlike" and homely — at the same time smart — as this summer dress, in spots, and with short sleeves?

COLOURS

THAT LOOK WELL IN THE COUNTRY

[By the Hon. Mrs. C. W. Forester]

No one makes up a country wardrobe without at least one or two schemes of the beige-brown range. Red, once a winter shade, is alike cheerful and fashionable, in cloth, crepe de Chine, silk and wool. The all-black coat and skirt with red touches is very pleasing on days when the sun will not come out.

The country coat may be cut short, three-quarter or full length; in the last-named case it fits closely round the hips, fastening with three or five buttons. Slight fullness appears as it nears the hem. Whatever fashion does, that long coat in heavy tweed, or in the newer design of light summery weight and cut on the slim lines, is as much worn as ever. The noticeable difference is that it falls into a slightly curved waistline; in fact, almost semi-fitting.

Even this note is very varied in the real country coats. Many models are based on the old loose trench-coat shape, only with a square yoke, and "set-in" sleeves, the fullness being held with a belt of fabric, belting, or leather. The Raglan shape is seldom becoming. It is best that rough country coats should not be too much fitted, as distinctive from those of the more dressy type required for race meetings, travel, and country social functions.

We require many coats to-day; therefore, the choice to suit the occasion should be easy; but, still, mistakes can be made. For example, nothing is smarter this year for Sandown or Kempton than that iron-grey cloth suit with plain, one-sided, pleated skirt, and the three-quarter Newmarket coat, slightly fitting and slightly flaring, with cut seam and pockets. This should be completed with silk-and-wool or Lisle jumper. This can be varied on warm days by a white cambric blouse and jabot, and smart sports hat in felt and straw; yet this is not correct in the heart of the country.

Cardigans and jumpers are important for real country wear, and always right. The cardigan tweed suit is about the smartest item in the all-English scheme.

There is not a single detail in the sporting tweed cardigan or wool woven jumper that is missed by the astute and exclusive exponent of country clothes. One of the newest cardigan coats is in a speckled brown tweed, with just a faint fleck of yellow in the mixture, a colour which is repeated in hat, scarf, blouse, and even in the belt of brown and yellow kid. The border all round in the self-edge of the fabric itself is interesting. Such a suit can be one of the successful selections for the week-end visits. It has that happy knack of looking quietly chic at all sorts of social affairs in country life.

Wool, Silk, and Lisle

There is no monotony in the latest jumpers. Apart from every variety of wool-and-silk weaves, there are now many delightful examples in lisle thread added to the list. Graduations in colour and weight, as well as in weaves assist in creating entirely novel designs.

One may well be content with a jumper, shaded wool in tones of red and pink, the dark lines of the wool weaves being reserved for the edges. A faint glimmer of dull gold thread, only reflected in a strong light, gives a most becoming sunshine-sheen.

These loosely-woven and light-weighted wool garments are always welcome in a cold country. They are even preferable to those new shot sports jumpers in striped lisle thread, which may become still more popular in the warmer weather. For the moment, however, these lisle jumpers only seem woven after the striped footballer's idea, of which we sometimes tire.

Over-Checks

Fabrics this season seem to create fashions to suit themselves. Their influence is far-reaching in every phase of the mode. One of the most attractive country colour schemes is achieved by that over-checked sporting effect. A black and grey or beige and white tweed will have a contrasting colour introduced by an over-check design, the shade of which will predominate in hat, scarf, and pochette.

Much money and care must be spent if the choice of detail be correct. Shoes and stockings this season are to a great extent matched to the suit or dress, whenever the colour allows of it.

Gauntlet gloves of thick suede or washleather, stitched with black or some sober colour, look well.

Scarves must not be too "voyant" unless in a special colour-scheme.

Coloured umbrellas are of a large and practical character, with interesting handles of carved wood, as a contrast to the elaborate examples in carved crystal and ivory that will distinguish the dressier type of summer sunshade.

Snake-skin, and novelties that closely resemble the reptile tribe, are popular for belts and handbags, to match shoes whenever feasible, for the matching vogue is insistent in all good dressing.

Black And White Contrast

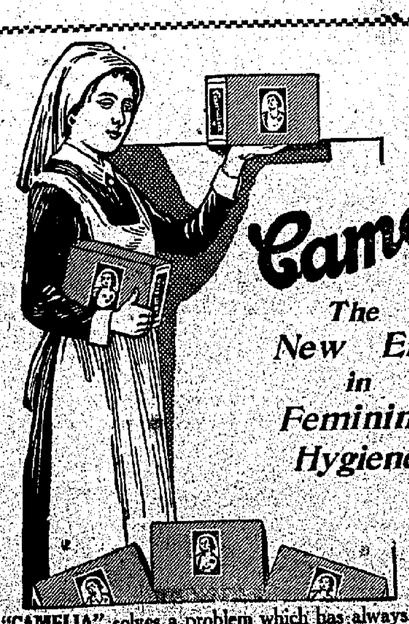
Lounging pyjamas have gone modernistic in a big way. The suit on the left, worn by Joan Crawford, shows a blazer coat which buttons smartly on the side and has lapels of plain black satin, matching the wide cuffed trousers. Josephine Dunn, right, wears a stunning ensemble of black silk crepe with modernistic splashes of white, and the sleeveless jumper of white shows corresponding patterns.

Two Original Jumpers

A bizarre note is struck by the model on the left with its futuristic design and dainty net collar quite unlike the simple creation on the right with its puritanical air.

For Afternoon Wear

Some of the latest designs in printed fuji silk and crepe de chines—Just the thing for bridge parties.



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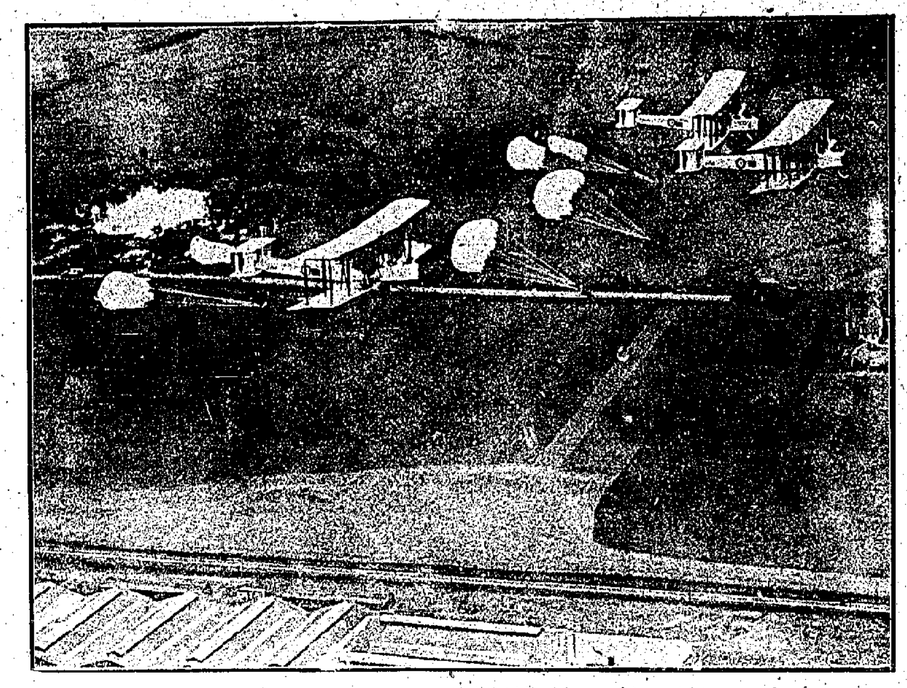
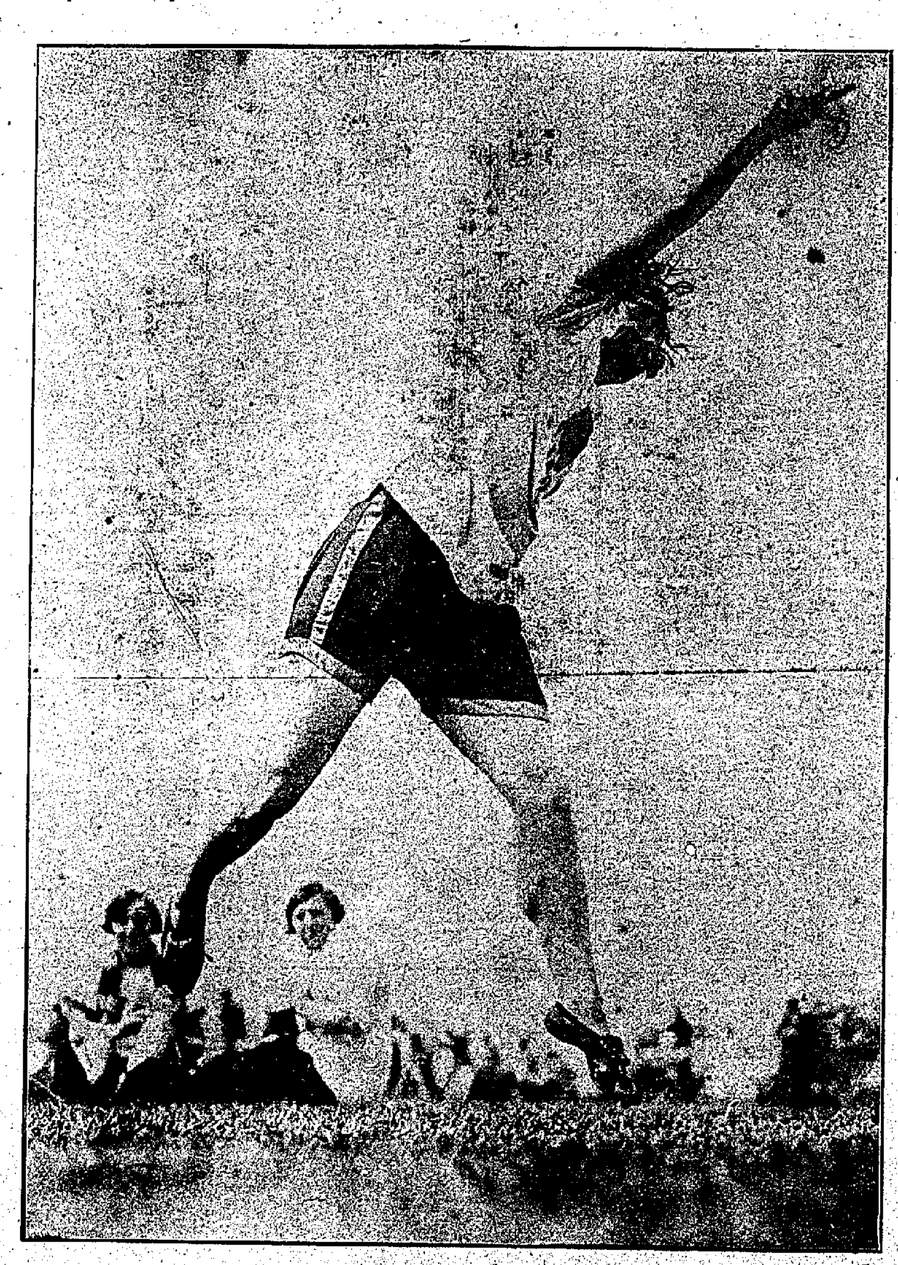
ZANZIBAR ROYALTY IN ENGLAND.—H.H. Seyyid Khalifa Bin Harub, K.C.M.G., K.B.E., with his son, Seyyid Abdullah, pays homage to Britain's dead after placing a wreath on the Cenotaph.—(Sport and General).

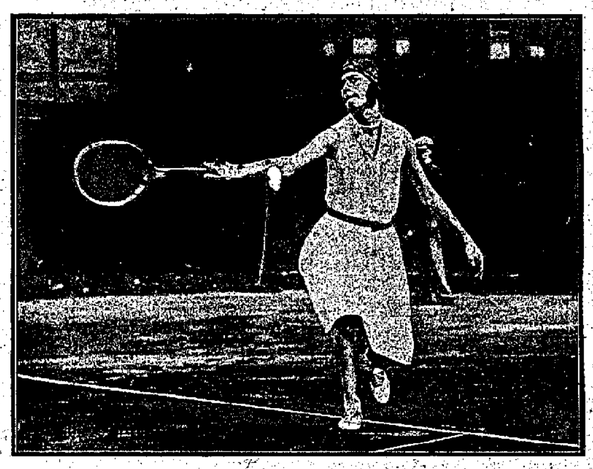


DIVING THRILLS IN THE AIR.—A parachute dropping rehearsal held at Henlow Aerodrome, Bedfordshire, in preparation for the Hendon aerial pageant. Six parachutists dropped simultaneously from the wing tips of Vickers Vimy machines and gave a remarkable display. Above is a picture taken from the air showing parachutists dropping from the planes.—(Sport and General).

TWO LITTLE HOLIDAYMAKERS.—Feeling the importance of the occasion, they enquire the way to the seaside from an obliging "Mr. Porter."—(Sport and General).

AMERICAN WAR MEMORIAL DAY.—At Brookwood cemetery, Surrey. The procession on its way to the service. In foreground are graves decorated with the two flags.—(Sport and General).





GIRL STAR FROM INDIA.—Miss Jennie Sandison, who at 19 holds the lawn tennis championship of India. She was beaten at Wimbledon this week.—(Sport and General).

RUMANIAN ROYALTY.—Celebration of the 10th Anniversary of the Union, at Alba Julia. Left to right: the Prince Regent Nicolai, Queen Marie, the King of Rumania (Michael I) accompanied by his mother, the Princess Helen, and behind may be seen the Regent Patriarch Miron Christia.—(Sport and General).

THE GREAT ELECTION DAY.—A scene of Twickenham, Middlesex, Sir William Joynson Hicks, the ex-Home Secretary, striking a new note, touring his constituency in a four-in-hand.—(Sport and General).

LADIES' ATHLETICS AT FINSBURY PARK, LONDON.—Remarkably good performances were put up by both old and new members at the meeting of the Middlesex Ladies' Athletic Club, when many well-known athletes competed. Vigour and strength well displayed by Miss E. Letts in winning the Putting the Shot.—(Sport and General).

LABOUR JOYFUL AT SUCCESS.—Scenes at Kensington, London, Mr. F. R. West, who scored a Labour win in North Kensington at the General Election, being chaired by his joyful followers.—(Sport and General).

DUKE OF NORFOLK'S COMING OF AGE.—Celebrations of England's premier Duke at Arundel Castle, Sussex. The Duke is seen setting fire to the biggest bonfire Sussex had ever seen, on Bury Hill. The beacon was composed of 5,000 faggots and lit up the Downs for miles around.—(Sport and General).

LATEST BATHING FASHIONS.—In flame coloured wool stockinette trimmed with flame and black and white striped. It comprises a bathing suit, skirt knickers and long coat. The novelty is the skirt knicker which is worn after the bathe and looks like a skirt.—By Marshall & Snelgrove, London.—(Sport and General).

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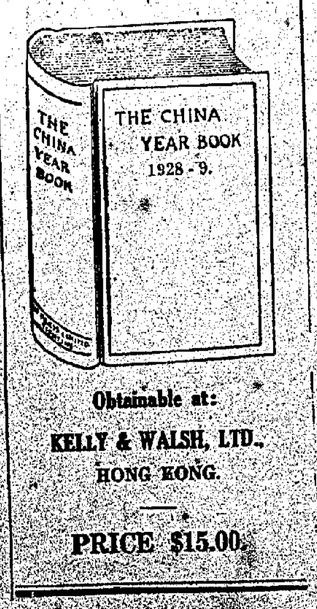

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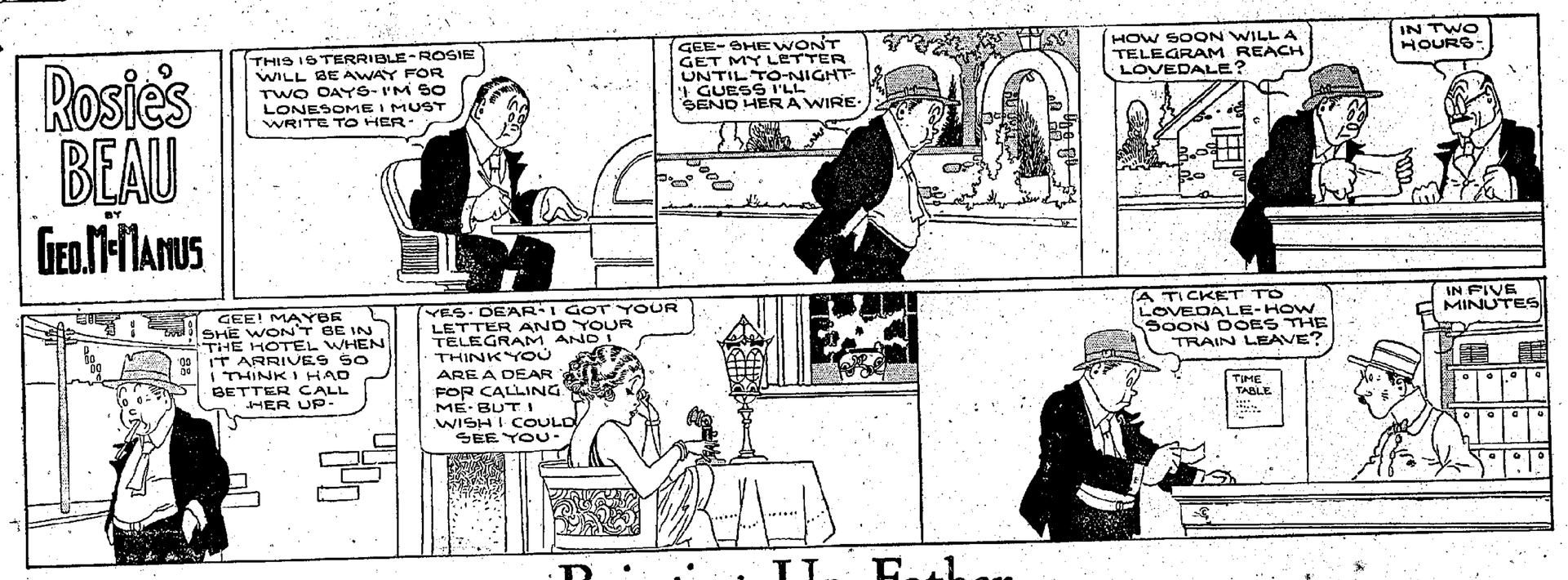
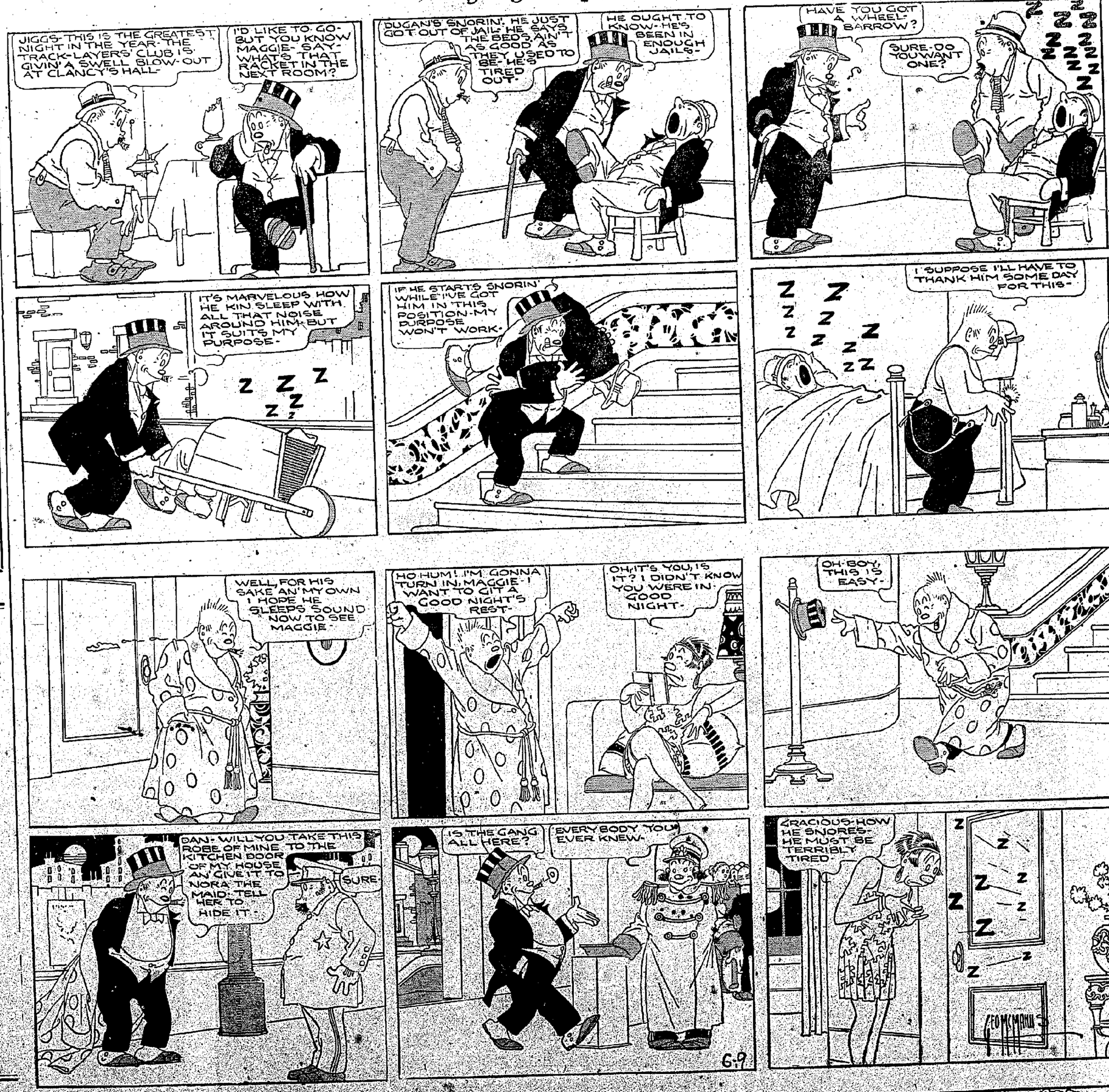


Bringing Up Father



OUR WEEKLY SERMON

Is A Science Of History Possible?

MODERN CHURCHMAN'S VIEWS

[By G. G. Coulton, M.A., D.Litt., Fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge]

(Continued from June 22.)

. . . . We are disconcerted by the way in which undeniable facts are utilized indiscriminately with the grossest fictions, and sometimes even by his claim to have verified those fictions. And while, on the one hand, we are elevated by his conception of the Church as the ideal City of God, on the other hand we resent his frequent confusion (it might almost be said his wilful confusion) between the ideal Church, containing so many members of whom Christ will say at the last day, 'I know you not.' We wonder how, if indeed the Church can proclaim so surely and so definitely the mind of Christ, there should have been no recognized authority to decide that crucial question, debated for a century and a half before Augustine's own time, 'Is heretical baptism valid or not?' Has a person baptized by a heretic taken even the first step leading away from hell? Has he even crossed the threshold of the City of God?' And, lastly, we notice that nearly half of this fairly bulky book is frankly controversial; that the Saint works with sword in one hand and trowel in the other; and that he cannot even lay the foundations of his City of God until he has demolished that City of Cain which had encumbered the holy site.

Moral Judgments

All of this, and more, any reader will find in the book. But that brings me to one last consideration: How about moral judgments in history? Do we degrade history from its pinnacle of science by striving at every point to make ethical distinctions; by saying to ourselves and to others, 'That thing was good; that other thing was bad'? Let me quote here from one of the most impartial, as he was quite the most learned, of British historians who have lived in our time. In his inaugural lecture at Cambridge, Lord Acton said:

> 'The weight of opinion is against me when I exhort you never to debase the moral currency or to lower the standard of rectitude, but to try others by the final maxim that governs your own lives, and to suffer no man and no cause to escape the undying penalty which history has the power to inflict on wrong.'

St. Augustine does indeed often fall below what we require from a perfect historian; but it is not his ethical tendencies that drag him down. Sir William Bragg's address before the British Association may give us the greatest encouragement here.

> 'Science,' he said, 'is not setting forth to destroy the soul of the nation, but to keep body and soul together.'

And again:

> 'No clear line can be drawn between pure science and applied science .... either loses virtue if dissociated from the other.'

Reinforce Ethics

If this be true, if science be not less itself, but more truly itself, for being applied to benefit the human race, what more beneficial purpose can it serve than to reinforce ethics? This comes out still more strongly in Sir William's concluding words, which will perhaps be even more welcome to the many who have heard or read them than to the few who now hear them for the first time:

> 'Long ago it was said, in terms which in their comprehensiveness include all the aspirations of the searcher after knowledge: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul and with all thy strength"! and "Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself." In the old story every listener, from whatever country he came—Parthians and Medes, Cretans and Arabians—heard the message in his own tongue. A great saying speaks to every man in the language which he understands. To the student of science the words mean that he is to put his whole heart into his work, believing that in some way which he cannot fully comprehend it is all worth while, and that every straining to understand his surroundings is right and good: and, further, that in that way he can learn to be of use to his fellowmen.'

Success from Jaws of Failure

Here, then, is strong and welcome support for those who believe that we cannot get the most scientific result out of history except by the strenuous exercise of every human faculty; that our reading must be not only an intellectual but also an ethical process; and that from all history, secular as well as ecclesiastical, we may truly draw much the same moral as Augustine drew. In a very real sense, Christ reigns—*Christus regnat, Christus imperat.* In a real sense, man's will can force success from the jaws of failure. As Dean Inge told us in the Johannine conception of Christianity, 'the revelation to men is strictly relative to their power of receiving it . . . . we are immortal spirits on our probation.' And, in a real sense, we may sum up all human records in those words from the Epistle to the Hebrews with which St. Augustine ends: 'There remaineth therefore a rest for the people of God.'

[*Concluded.*]

AIR SPEEDING

FAST FLIGHT FROM LOS ANGELES TO NEW YORK

Los Angeles, Yesterday.

Captain Frank Hawkes flew here from New York in 19 hours, 12 minutes, which is over five hours faster than the previous record.—Reuter's American Service.

Corrected Time

Hawkes' corrected time is 19 hours, 10 mins. 28 secs.

He started upon the return journey after a brief delay for repairs.—Reuter's American Service.

CYCLE OVER EMBANKMENT

Ip San, a coolie employed at the Repulse Bay Hotel, was the victim of a serious accident whilst cycling near Deep Water Bay on Thursday.

At about 7.30 a.m., he was returning from town but, when going down the steep incline above Deep Water Bay, he lost control of the machine, which fell with its rider down the steep embankment on to the beach below. Ip suffered multiple injuries and was rendered unconscious. He was not found until an hour and half later when his groans attracted the attention of Police Sergeant Walsh, who had him removed to hospital.

SEDITION ALLEGED

LEAFLETS ON THE SHORTAGE OF WATER

RESULT OF POLICE RAID

A new form of sedition by irresponsible Chinese in the Colony has been discovered as the result of a Police raid, led by Detective Sergeant O'Donovan, in a house in Shing Wo-road yesterday.

A number of leaflets were seized and a man found on the premises was arrested.

When the prisoner was produced before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy, this morning, charged with the unlawful possession of seditious literature, the Sergeant told the Magistrate that the leaflets found in the house, evidently intended for distribution, alleged discrimination by the local authorities in connection with the present water shortage.

Accused was remanded for a week.

A DEMOCRAT

EDWARD CARPENTER DIES AT RIPE OLD AGE

POET AND PUBLICIST

London, Yesterday.

The death is announced of Edward Carpenter.—Reuter.

Biographical

[Edward Carpenter had long been regarded as one of Britain's most democratic writers. He was also a poet. Carpenter was born at Brighton in 1844 and educated at Cambridge. He relinquished orders and fellowship, and left Cambridge, 1874; lectured science, music, etc., in connection with University Extension movement in northern towns till 1881; settled, 1883, on small farm near Sheffield; literary work, market-gardening, sandal-making, Socialist movement, street-corner propaganda, etc.; visit to U.S. and Walt Whitman, 1884 and Ceylon and South-Indian Gnani in 1890.]

STAND STILL

Statistics prepared by the Birmingham police, show that running across the roadway is a prolific source of accident. Running usually means dodging, and once a walker starts to dodge, drivers of vehicles naturally become confused. When roads are wet the careless walker is a danger to the car-driver. To avoid the walker who suddenly steps off the pavement, he has to apply his brakes and on greasy roads this often results in a skid.

CHIANG'S STAR IN THE ASCENDANT

PURSE'S STRENGTH

WANTED — A "DAWES PLAN" FOR CHINA

OR NO CESSATION OF WAR?

By routing the "rebels" of the Kwangsi faction, and re-establishing his authority at Hankow, Chiang Kai-shek has enabled his industrious propagandists to broadcast the unification of China as a fact, so nearly accomplished that a new set of postage stamps is to be issued for its commemoration. At the moment (says J. O. P. Bland writing in the "Sunday Times" in mail week), the star of the Cantonese leader shines brightly, while that of his chief rival, the "Christian" General Feng, appears to be under a cloud.

Considering the all-important part which money plays in Chinese politics, there is nothing very surprising in this. The financial resources at Chiang's disposal (recently increased by tariff autonomy) are far greater than those of any of his rivals, and he can therefore afford to outbid them for the loyalty of military chieftains and provincial satraps.

The Sword and the Purse

But to regard this development of the situation as evidence of an impending unification of China is to misinterpret its significance. Actually this latest phase of the struggle which began after the overthrow of the Throne in 1912 foreshadows no cessation of warfare, but only new coalitions and combinations of the "Outs" against the "Ins." For the chief concern of the men who have made civil war a lucrative profession for the past seventeen years is that no individual war-lord shall be allowed to achieve such a degree of power as might enable him to establish and consolidate an effective central authority.

Were it not for the appalling conditions to which the Chinese people have been reduced by this incessant strife, the recent achievements of Chiang Kai-shek might be regarded as ingenious and some of their incidents as diverting. Seldom has a campaign in China demonstrated so clearly how much mightier than the sword is the purse.

Good Stage Management

To the Chinese mind the ease with which the Kwangsi Generals have allowed themselves to be stampeded and their armies to dissolve would naturally suggest the idea that the "rebellion" was provoked, if not pre-arranged, by Chiang and his colleagues; a clever move, designed to give themselves "face," to convince public opinion abroad of their determined initiative, and thus prepare the way for the long-hoped-for loan in America and renewed demands for the abolition of extra-territoriality. Be this as it may, the concurrence of this singularly bloodless campaign with the presence of a great cloud of foreign advisers at Nanking, with the abolition (on paper) of "Ilkin," the American contract for air-lines, and the passing of countless good resolutions by plenary conferences, has all the appearance of good stage-management.

Nevertheless, all China is painfully aware that the realities behind all this the things with which the war-lords are chiefly concerned, begin and end with the control of the country's taxable resources.

No Ringing of Bells

There have been no public rejoicings over the alleged unification; the nation's attention is centred on the silent struggle in which Chiang and Feng (good Nationalists, both) are engaged for possession of such revenues as brigandage and famine have left in Shantung. The man in the street observes that minor incidents, such as the Mohammedan butcheries in Kansuh, arouse no interest in Nanking.

When, in 1912, Yuan Shih-kai predicted that the abolition of the monarchy would result in several decades of chaos, during which there would be no peace in the Empire, he had in mind similar periods of Chinese history. He knew that "the thing that hath been it is that which shall be," and moreover, that at such periods of chaos every war-lord (nay, every captain of bandits) is justified by many precedents and common tradition in regarding himself as the possible founder of a dynasty.

Chiang v. Feng

For the moment, Chiang and Feng occupy the centre of the stage, but, if one may judge by their careers, neither possesses the superman qualities requisite for the attainment of undisputed power. Both have displayed considerable ability in adapting the fruits of Western learning (including organised propaganda) to the use of modern Chinese politics.

Chiang enjoys many advantages of position; the sympathetic good will accorded by the friendly Powers towards the party which he represents; control of the rich revenues of Kiangsu; and the prestige which he has acquired in the eyes of many of his countrymen by virtue of his successful attacks upon the privileged position of foreigners under the Treaties.

Feng on the other hand, has been chiefly distinguished in the past for the swiftness and precision with which he emerges at critical moments to inflict a severe bite upon the top-dog. Lately he has cultivated the reputation of a bluff, simple-living man of the people, a public moralist and the friend of the oppressed.

Needed—A Dawes Plan

So far as any prospect of the unification of China is concerned, however, or of a re-organisation of the country's finances, it matters not whether Feng or Chiang gets the better of the present bout, for it is not in the nature of things that either can ever impose his permanent authority upon the provinces as a whole.

The struggle for place and pelf and power will inevitably go on, and the nation continue to eat the bread of affliction, until the Powers finally contrive to agree upon a policy of benevolent intervention.

What China needs is a Dawes plan of assisted reconstruction, directed in the first place towards securing the public revenues for public purposes, and then to the gradual disbandment of the rabble armies which prey upon the people.

Could Be Done

The thing could assuredly be done for none of these rabble armies are fighting forces, and the nation as a whole would welcome any intervention which promised them surcease of strife. But it would necessitate the abandonment of certain political theories, and the adoption of concerted action in lieu of *laisser faire*, by the nations to whom China's well-being is a matter of immediate concern.

There are symptoms, in more than one quarter, of a disposition to regard the matter in this light, but much depends upon the conclusions to be arrived at by the American advisers and experts now studying the situation at Nanking, and their effect upon the policy of the State Department. It is a hopeful sign (if report speaks truly) that Washington no longer cherishes any serious illusions concerning the Nationalist party's determination or capacity to put an end to "militarism."

ROUND THE CINEMAS

A COLOURFUL DESERT ROMANCE

"FLEETWING"

"Fleetwing," the Fox Films production adapted from Lambert Hillyer's and Elizabeth Pickett's alluring story of the desert, which may be seen to-morrow and Monday at the Queen's Theatre, brings to the screen one of the colourful romances seen here for some time.

The love of Jaafar for Thirya, the dancing girl enmeshes them both in a mad fight against tribal forces that are stronger than themselves, and they succumb to the tribal law.

About to be sold at auction, Thirya pleads with Jaafar to save her. He flees with her to his father's camp. Happy in his love for Thirya, Jaafar is forgetful of the tribal tradition that here, too, she must be sold to the highest bidder.

The sorrowing father has no way of comforting his son. However, fate holds a card up her sleeve, and the battle-cry of the Wahabis, their hereditary enemies, is heard throughout the hills, and sends them scurrying for cover. Many thrilling incidents occur before the final climax.

Picture backgrounds of desert and oasis add greatly to the charm of this production.

"Missing Link"

Syd Chaplin in the "Missing Link" ably supported by Ruth Hiatt and a clever cast, including Akka, the Chimpanzee star, pleased large audiences at the World Theatre yesterday, and will appear for the last time to-day.

Ruth Taylor

SHADOWS BEFORE.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL"

ENTERTAINMENTS

To-day — Queen's Theatre; "Lady of the Pavements".

To-day — World Theatre; "The Missing Link."

To-day — Star Theatre; "Resurrection."

To-day — Majestic Theatre; "Drums of Love."

Home Mails

To-day — Inward from Europe via Negapatam, ("Patroclus").

To-morrow—Outward for Shanghai, Weihaiwei and Europe via Siberia, ("Patroclus"), 9 a.m.

Lammerts' Auction

July 4-5 — At Carlton Hotel, household furniture, etc., 11 a.m. daily.

Land Sales

July 2—At P. W. D. Offices, two lots of Crown land at Prince Edward-road and Mong Kok-tsui, 3 p.m.

Meeting

July 6—Meeting of Creditors of the Hong Kong Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd., at Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming's offices, noon.

Miscellaneous

To-day — Opening of bathing pavilion of S.C.A.A. at Quarry Bay, 3.30 p.m.

June 30—At Roman Catholic Cathedral, Blessing of 35th H.K.G. C.C. Boy Scouts' Troop Flag, 11 a.m.

A VAST FORCE

VALUE OF MOTORS TO U.S.A.

An idea of what the motor industry means to the U.S.A. may be gained from the follwing random figures. There are over 4,000,000 people in the United States employed in the automobile industry and its allied lines, with a yearly payroll running into billions of dollars. Imagine the effect, for instance, on the economic life of America if production of automobiles ceased to-morrow, throwing these millions of people out of work and stopping their buying power.

Close to 6,000,000,000 dollars spent annually for the upkeep of America's automobiles. Almost a billion dollars (1,000,000,000 dollars) each year is spent for parts and service to 89,000 service stations and a like amount for tyres for replacement. Fuels and lubricants to the extent of almost 2,500,000,000 dollars are purchased from 217,000 filling stations and 604,000 pumps, 80 per cent. of all the petrol consumed in the United States being used by the motor industry.

The figures do not include any charge for depreciation, not even on the 2,000,000 cars that are scrapped or replaced annually. Strange as it may seem, the average life of an automobile is seven years and the average cost is 887 dollars Fifty-eight per cent. of all new cars are bought on time payments and leading finance companies say that automobile owners as a class are a splendid financial risk, the average losses of these concerns for a period of years being less than one-fifth of 1 per cent.

SEEING EUROPE

MOTOR CARS MORE POPULAR

Americans are increasingly "seeing" Europe by motor, and a great influx of travellers from the States, bringing their own cars, is expected by Continental countries this year. In order to make the European trip more attractive to Americans, and to induce them to take their cars with them, the Cunard and Anchor Lines have just announced a schedule of new and reduced rates for the transportation of automobiles across the Atlantic.

The Cunard and Anchor companies have classified a group of eighty-nine cars in general use, and have established their rates on poundage. The price includes all items of expense in connection with the shipping and use of an automobile abroad, viz.: United States Customs registration, washing and polishing of car, supply of oil and petrol, port charges, membership in the Automobile Association or the Royal Automobile Club, international licence plates and driving licence, and Customs papers for touring both the British Isles and Continent.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH CO., LTD., OF DENMARK.

The following unclaimed telegrams are lying at the office of the Great Northern Telegraph Company (Limited) of Denmark:—

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POSTAL EMPLOYEE CHARGED

TRIP TO JAVA

ALLEGED THEFT OF REGISTERED MAIL FOR JAPAN

10,000 YEN INVOLVED

Yesterday afternoon Mr. E. W. Hamilton heard evidence at the Central Magistracy in the case in which a Portuguese youth named Jose Antonio Mariano de Sousa, (22), formerly employed at the local Post Office, is charged with offences under Post Office Ordinance, No. 7, of 1926.

The Crown is applying for the accused's committal to the next Criminal Sessions on two charges as follow:—

(1) That he on February 5, 1929, being then an officer of the General Post Office (Hong Kong), and being entrusted with the preparing of a document, namely, a letter bill, did fraudulently prepare the document incorrectly, or alter, or secrete, or destroy such document; and

(2) That he on the same date did steal two postal packages, namely one bag containing 30 registered letters and two insured letters; and one bag containing nine registered letters and one insured letter, the property of the Postmaster General.

Mr. J. T. Prior appeared for the defence.

At the outset, Mr. L. R. Andrewes, assistant Crown Solicitor, who prosecuted, said that there was one thing that he was not quite sure of and that was the accused's right name. There seemed to be several variations of it such as Jose Mariano de Sousa and Jose Armando de Sousa.

The Magistrate intimated that he would go by the name appearing on the charge sheet, which was Jose A. de Sousa.

Case for the Crown

Mr. Andrewes then outlined the case for the Crown. He said that the accused was first employed in the Post Office on June 18 of last year, as a probationary sorter. On September 9 he was promoted to Class 6 in the order of the service, and on February 1 of this year, he was given one month's notice to leave. Following that, on February 6, he asked Mr. T. Hynes, Superintendent of Mails, and Mr. N. L. Smith, Post-Master General, whether he might be permitted to leave the service on that same day, as he had got other employment. He was, of course, allowed to leave but he had to forfeit pay for the six days that he worked in February.

On February 6, the duties discharged by the accused included the closing of mails for Kobe and Nagasaki. Incidentally he had also to go to the Registration Branch which was situated next door in the same building, to enquire whether there was any registered mail for Kobe and Nagasaki. The Registration Branch put up the registered mail and insured mail in little bags, and then placed them all in one big bag which was then sealed up. Evidence would be given to show that the accused collected a bag from the Registration Department containing Kobe mail and also another bag containing the Nagasaki mail, and that it was his duty to put these two bags into one general lot of mail going to Kobe and Nagasaki. The evidence would be that he did all this and stole the contents of the bags.

First Indications

The first indications of an offence having been committed came to light on February 26, when one of the senders of a registered package containing 10,000 yen enquired at the Post Office how it did not reach its destination at Kobe. The Post Office sent a reclamation for them to make enquiries at Nagasaki, while the Post-Master General also communicated with the postal people, first at Kobe and then at Nagasaki, asking them to return the original letters bill that had been sent with and accompanied the mails. This registered letters bill was a document in which were entered particulars of registered and insured mail. It was found that "Table 3" in that document had not been filled in, but looking up "Table 3" in the duplicate retained on file at the Post Office, they found that it had been filled in. Therefore the two forms did not tally. The record showed that the accused had handled that particular mail.

A Farewell Dinner

Enquiries were then started as to Sousa's whereabouts. It was found that on February 6 or 7, immediately after leaving the employment of the Post Office, Sousa gave a farewell dinner to a number of friends at the Empress Hotel, and amongst some of them he distributed a sum of fifteen hundred dollars. He had also invited one of his friends to accompany him to Batavia, at his expense. That invitation was accepted and Sousa and his friend left by the "Tjisorea" on February 9 for Batavia. They had a "spree" there. The friend then decided to return to Hong Kong, which he did, again at Sousa's expense.

Sousa remained there until he was traced by the Police. He was afterward found and arrested in Sourabaya. Extradition proceedings were commenced, but Sousa agreed to waive these proceedings and return voluntarily under Police escort, which he did on June 10. He was then arrested upon arrival here by Chief Detective Inspector Reynolds and charged. In reply to the two charges against him, Sousa had nothing to say.

Replying to the Magistrate, Mr. Andrewes said that part of Sousa's duties as sorter of mails was to make out letters bills in duplicate, one of which, the original, was forwarded with the mails to their destination, and the other, the carbon one, was retained and filed at the Post Office here. That procedure coming in as a general way, the mails were not checked. Sousa was in a room where a number of other officials worked alongside him.

Evidence Led

Acting Chief Detective Inspector A. Reynolds, who was the first witness to be called, said that at 8.45 a.m. on June 12, he saw the accused at the Central Police Station. He told Sousa that he was arresting him on two warrants which he read and which were now produced in Court.

At 9.15 on the same morning, he charged the accused, all due formality being observed as regards warning the accused before being asked if he would make a statement, and asking if he needed an interpreter. In answer to both charges, Sousa said he had nothing to say.

Mr. N. L. Smith, Post-Master General, stated that early in February, after serving on probation, accused was given one month's notice by the witness as his probation was ended. He was to go. On February 6, Sousa asked if he might go at once for a better job and witness allowed this on condition that Sousa drew no pay for the six days that he had worked in February.

Accused's Duties

Part of Sousa's duties on February 5 was to close the ordinary mails for Kobe, Nagasaki and Moji per s.s. "Tamba." The procedure was that the officer closing the mails, when his ordinary mail was ready, called at the registration branch to see if there were any registered and insured mails for those destinations. He then should take the registered bag and make an entry on Table 3 of the letters bill, of the details of the registered mail as shown on the label of the registered bag. He should next put the registered bag in the last ordinary mail bag; then put the registered mail in with the original letters bill, the carbon copy being kept on file.

Witness then put in correspondence exchanged with the Japanese postal authorities in connection with the matter, together with other documents to which he had previously referred. He said that the liabilities incurred by the local Post Office in the matter were to the extent of $770 in respect of Kobe and $380 in respect of Nagasaki. He had no personal knowledge of the precise value of the contents of the mail mentioned.

Examined by Mr. J. T. Prior on behalf of the accused, the witness agreed that the reason for giving Sousa notice was that he was inefficient and made a lot of mistakes. There was no question of dishonesty. All postal officials were more or less in a position of trust.

Mr. Prior: Although they are under notice?—It is so rare to give a man notice, that I don't think there is a fixed rule on the subject.

Replying to other questions Mr. Smith said he would go so far as to say that such an offence as the accused was alleged to have committed could be carried out without premeditation. It was not even necessary for him to have an accomplice.

A Bank Cashier

Mr. L. J. J. Caron, assistant cashier of the Netherlands Trading Society, deposed that on February 5 he handed in at the Post Office a package containing 10,000 yen and arranged to have it despatched to the Kobe branch by insured mail. He got a receipt for the package from the Post Office but was unable to produce it because he had sent it to the Head Office.

The witness added that on February 26, he received a cable from the Kobe branch intimating that that particular parcel had not been received, although two others which were sent later had arrived.

In reply to the Magistrate Mr. Caron said that the 10,000 yen was sent to Kobe in notes, mostly of 10-yen denomination.

Mr. T. Hynes, Superintendent of Mails at the Post Office, was the next witness. He produced the insured list book in which was an entry dated February 5 showing that two insured letters for Kobe had been made up in one bag. One of these was from the Netherlands Trading Society, but the name of the addressee was not recorded. There was only one insured letter for Nagasaki on that same date.

After giving similar particulars from the registered list book relating to letters for Kobe and Nagasaki, Mr. Hynes produced a document showing that all these insured and registered letters had been signed for by the accused as having been received by him for inclusion in the ordinary mail bags for Kobe and Nagasaki, which were sealed by him.

The case was then adjourned until noon on Thursday next.

PLEASE DON'T WASTE WATER

THE SHARE MARKET

Hong Kong Stock Exchange

T.T. on London	1/11 1/8
T.T. on Shanghai	$82¾
Banks	
H.K. Bank	$1240 b
H.K. London Reg.	£132½ n
Chartered Bank	£19⅜ b
Mercantile A. & B.	£33 n
Mercantile C.	£15¼ n
P. & O. Bank	£9¼ n
Bank of East Asia	$90½ n
Insurances	
Canton Insurance	$630 s
Union Insurance	$323¼ n [323/324 sa
North China Insurance	$160 b
Yangtze Insurance	M$50 n
China Underwriters	$2.10 s
China Fire Insurance	$300 b
H.K. Fire Insurance	$770 b
Shipping	
Douglases	$27½ n
H.K. Steamboats	$25½ s
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	$2.6 s
Indo-China (Pref.)	$45 b
Indo-China (Def.)	$70 n
Shell Transports (old)	98/- n
Shell Transports (new)	—
Union Water-boats	$22 n
Mining	
Benguets	$3 n
Kailan Mining Ad.	63/9 n
Langkats (comb.)	T14 s
Langkats (single)	T7½ s
Shanghai Explorations	T2¾ s
Shanghai Loans	T4½ s
Raubs	$6¼ b
Tronoh Mines	21/- b
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.	
H.K. & K. Wharves	$124 b
H.K. & W. Docks	$35 n
China Providents	$3.95 b
Hongkews	T168 n
New Engineers	T6½ b
Shanghai Docks	T137½ b
Cotton Mills	
Ewo Cottons	T13.15 b 13.40 s
Oriental Cottons	T2.20 b
Shanghai Cottons (old)	T73½ b
Shanghai Cottons (new)	T34½ b
Lands, Hotels & Buildings	
H.K. & S. Hotels	$8.65 b 8¾ s
H.K. Lands	$61 b 62 s
Shanghai Lands	T147 b
Humphreys' Estates	T13¼ b
H.K. Realties	$7.60 b
H.K. Territorials	—
Prince's Buildings	—
Public Utilities	
H.K. Tramways	$19 b 19/19.30 sa
Peak Trams (old)	$11.80 n
Peak Trams (new)	$6.06 n
Star Ferries	$65½ s
China Lights (comb.)	—
China Lights (old)	$13.85 b c Rts. [12.90 n x Rts. [$7.90 n Rts.
China Lights (new)	—
China Lights 1928 issue	—
H.K. Electrics (old)	$55¾ b
H.K. Electrics (new)	—
Macao Electrics	$26¾ n
H.K. Telephones	$7 b
China Buses	T14¾ b
Singapore Tractions	11/- s
Singapore Pref.	$19/6 b
Sandakan Lts.	$2½ s
Industrials	
China Sugars	85 cts. b
Malabon Sugars	$27 n
Canton Ices	$2 b
Cements (comb.)	$8.70 b 8¾ sa [8.80 n
Cements (old)	$7½ s
Cements (new)	$1.40 n
H.K. Ropes (old)	$7 s
H.K. Ropes (new)	—
United Asbestos	$5 b
Stores, &c.	
Dairy Farm	$19 n
Watsons	$12 n
Der A. Wings	80 cts. b
Lane, Crawfords	$1¾ s
Mackintoshs	$18 b
Sinceres	$12 b
Wm. Powells	$3 s
Miscellaneous	
H.K. Amusements	$29½ n
H.K. Constructions	$1⅛ n
B. Ind. G.$ Bonds	67% n
H.K. Govt. Loans	7% b p. m.

EXCHANGES

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS

On London—	
Bank, wire	1/11 ⅛
Bank, on demand	1/11 3/16
Bank, 30 days' sight	—
Bank, 4 months' sight	1/11 ⅜
Credits, 4 months' sight	2/— ⅛
Documentary 4 months' sight	2/— ¼
On Paris—	
On demand	1197½
Credits, 4 months' sight	1272½
On Berlin—	
On demand	—
On New York—	
On demand	467⅞
Credits, 60 days' sight	48½
On Bombay—	
Wire	129¼
On demand	129¼
On Calcutta—	
Wire	129¼
On demand	129¼
On Singapore—	
On demand	83½
On Manila—	
On demand	94
On Shanghai—	
On demand	81½
30 day's sight (private paper)	—
On Yokohama—	
On demand	106½
Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael)	—
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	10.00
Silver (per oz.)	24¼
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	1% dis.
Copper Cash	Nominal
Copper Cents	3% Prem.
Rate of Native Interest	7% p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin	28½% dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin	Par.

LONDON EXCHANGES

	London, Yesterday.
Paris	123.875
New York	4.84 15/16
Brussels	34.90
Amsterdam	12.08
Geneva	25.205
Milan	92.675
Berlin	20.35
Stockholm	18.09
Copenhagen	18.20
Oslo	18.195
Vienna	34.495
Prague	163¾
Helsingfors	193
Madrid	34.245
Lisbon	108⅛
Athens	375
Bucharest	817
Rio	5⅞
Bombay	1/5 27/32
Shanghai	2/4 12
Buenos Aires	47 9/32
Hong Kong	1/11⅛
Yokohama	1/9 ⅝
Silver Spot	24¼
Silver Forward	24 5/16

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WATER SUPPLY

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on June 1, 1929:—

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS.

	1928	1929
Tytam	Level	30' 5"B
Tytam Byewash	Level	27' 6"B
Tytam Intermediate	Level	59' 8"B
Tytam Tuk	10' 7"B	98'11"B
Wong Nei Chung	Level	40' 1"B
Pokfulum	Level	38' 8"B

[Note: B. denotes "Below Overflow"; A. denotes "Above Overflow: L. denotes "Level with Overflow."]

Storage in millions and Decimals of gallons.

	1928	1929
Tytam	884.80	176.80
Tytam Byewash	22.37	.11
Tytam Intermediate	195.90	10.02
Tytam Tuk	1,171.15	43.42
Wong Nei Chung	30.34	.68
Pokfulum	66.00	4.42
Total	1,870.56	235.45

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of May.

	1928	1929
Consumption	283.30	139.21*
Estimated population	422,240	432,560
Consumption per head per day	17.8	10.4

* Includes 3.10 m.g. from Taikoo Refinery Dam & 8.24 m.g. from Kowloon.

Intermittent Supply in all Rider Main Districts during May 1928. In 1929, Principal Main Supply shut off from 6 p.m.—6 a.m. May 1—27 inclusive. From May 28—31 inclusive the hours of supply from the Principal Mains were 6—10 a.m. & 3—6 p.m.

KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1928	1929
Kowloon Reservoir	10' 1"B	43' 1"B
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	2' 6"B	33' 3"B
Reception Reservoir	Level	4' 5"B

Storage in millions and Decimals of gallons.

	1928	1929
Kowloon Reservoir	351.63	49.00
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	106.02	18.45
Reception Reservoir	33.15	22.00
Total	490.80	89.45

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of May.

	1928	1929
Consumption	107.15	94.79*
Estimated population	165,280	170,320
Consumption per head per day	20.9	18.0

* Does not include water sent to Hong Kong.

Full Supply in all districts during May 1928. During the whole month of May, 1929, the supply was shut off nightly from 6 p.m.—6 a.m.

The Government Analyst's reports show that the quality of the water is satisfactory.

Total rainfall to May 31, 1928, 33.15; May 31, 1929, 10.18.

Sport Columns

FOOTBALL

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ASSOCIATION

NEW OFFICERS ELECTED

[By "Rover"]

The annual meeting of the Football Association took place yesterday evening at the new Headquarters of the Association, and was largely attended by Clubs' representatives and the retiring members of the Council.

Mr. R. M. Dyer, President of the Asssociation, was in the chair and the business of the evening started promptly.

It was early apparent that the meeting was to be an interesting one, and following the passing of the minutes, the next item on the agenda, the passing of the annual report and balance sheet—evoked a query from Mr. R. Duncan as to the necessity for two balance sheets (one of the Association and the other of the Interport) and a reply from Inspector James giving the history of the two accounts and an explanation. A further query asking why the Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer's honoraria, should be included in the Interport account was likewise satisfactorily explained.

Satisfactory Balances

These lighter points paved the way for real business and as the balance sheets were franked by a well-known professional firm, and showed eminently satisfactory balances in both cases, the meeting lightly skipped over these, and treated the next business on the agenda, "the taking over of the Hong Kong Amateur Football League" by the H.K.F.A., in the same spirit.

Item 5.—"To consider alterations to Rules," provided the first real interest of the evening, and the Council's proposal to appoint professional Treasurers raised considerable discussion. The alteration to the existing method of control of finance by the Association was strenuously debated by Mr. F. T. James, and as equally sustained by Mr. J. Ormiston, the alteration proposed was eventually carried unanimously, with the many other alterations to the rules before the meeting.

Rule 9 of the Football Association Challenge rule, regarding the sharing of gate money by the Clubs participating in the semi-finals, and finals, was, after a little adjustment, agreeably settled, the Council conceding to the Clubs for the first time a share in both these matches.

Gained By Losing

Mr. Smith rose to champion the referees whom he considered were inadequately paid for their services, but his proposal to alter the rule was slightly out of order, but as the meeting subsequently repeated their generous action of last year of trebling the referees' fees for the current season, Mr. Smith and his confreres gained by losing!

Appeal Board

Mr. Duncan was emphatic that the Appeals Board was superfluous. This view was shared by most of those present for the Council as eventually elected, is on such generous lines that any Board of this nature required can readily be co-opted or dispensed with as the Council require when they commence to function.

The New Officers

The election of officers for the year was then proceeded with, and the following appointments were made:—

President, Mr. R. M. Dyer; Vice-Presidents, Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall and Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E.; Chairman of the Council, Mr. R. Hall; Hon. Secretary, Mr. W. E. Hollands; and the following council members, Messrs. G. T. May, H. K. Lee, R. K. Duncan, A. T. Hamilton, A. W. Eastman, F. Smith, J. Rodger, F. T. James and J. S. Shak.

Some Impressions

Impressions of the meeting were that it was easily the biggest of its kind in the Association's history; a real live interest was taken in it by practically the whole of the Clubs affiliated. Reforms, the effect of which may not be immediately apparent, were introduced; there was real competition for seats on the Council, a very healthy sign indeed, and an inspection of the election Council will reveal that practically all interests of the Clubs should be well served, observing that Commander Biron, R.N., and Lieut. George (Army) are also "ex-officio" members of the Council representing the respective Service's sporting interests.

The extensive business of the evening was with commendable despatch, conducted yet there was nothing rushed, and in two hours the football management for another 12 months was arranged for, very satisfactorily. Not a little credit, however, for a very successful annual general meeting, must be given to the retiring officials and Council who prepared a programme which offered very little criticism. The new Council starts the season 1929-30 under very favourable auspices, indeed.

SARAZEN IN LEAD

BOBBY JONES PLAYS IN A RAINSTORM

U.S. GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

Mamaroneck, New York, Yesterday.

Bobby Jones has lost the lead in the American open golf championship, having been displaced by Sarazen and Espinosa.

The second 18 holes were played in the afternoon. Among those who went round early were the ultimate leaders at the end of the day, including Schute, who is now level with Bobby Jones.

Hagen and Jim Barnes are among the notables far behind.

There was a terrific downpour of rain just as Bobby Jones left the first tee after lunch. The spectators galloped to all shelters but the contestants carried on in the face of one of the worst downpours in the history of the U.S. national open golf championship.

Sodden Greens

The greens were sodden in a few minutes in spite of workmen who swept the water in vain.

In the rain, Bobby Jones did the first nine holes out in 38 strokes; and he came in in 37, making a total of 75 for the round, or an aggregate of 144 so far.

Diegel scored a fine 74 in the afternoon. Some of the present scores are as follow:—

Gene Sarazen	71	71	142
Al Espinosa	70	72	142
D. Schute	73	71	144
Bobby Jones	69	75	144
Tommy Armour	74	71	145
Leo Diegel	74	74	148
G. Von Elm			149
Jim Barnes	78	78	156
Joe Kirkwood	75	82	157
Walter Hagen	76	81	157
Jack White	72	86	158
Golden	79	79	158

All with scores of 159 or better (including those tiring for the 60th place) complete in the final over 36 holes to-morrow, in which there will be 64 players. Johnny Farrell, the holder of the title, has bee eliminated, as he took 167.

The leaders in the first 18 holes (in the morning) were:—

Bobby Jones	69.
Al Espinosa	70.
Gene Sarazen	71.
C. Hilgendorf (Michigan)	72.
Jack White (North Berwick)	72.—

The veteran Scot who is aged 56, at the second, holed a mashie shot at 150 yards for an eagle two. He had birdies at the 6th, 13th and 14th holes.

L. Schmutte (Lima)	73.
D. Schute (Worthington)	73.
J. Cummings (Westwood)	74.
T. Longworth (Fort Worth)	74.
L. Nabholtz (Houston)	74.
P. O'Hara (Verona)	74.
Tommy Armour	74.
Johnny Farrell (holder)	74.
Walter Hagen	76.
Jim Barnes	78.

— Reuter's American Service.

CHASE ROUND RING

FIGHT BETWEEN SCHMELING AND PAOLINO

SUCCESSOR TO TUNNEY?

New York, Yesterday.

Max Schmeling (Germany) won on points against Paolino Uzcudun (Spain) in a 15 rounds' boxing contest.

Forty-five thousand spectators at the Yankee Stadium watched the fight, which was the first of the series to find a new heavyweight champion of the world to succeed (the retired) Gene Tunney.

Schmeling started slowly but in the last six rounds so asserted himself that he chased the Spaniard round the ring, slashing and ripping at his opponent's head and body and inflicting terrific punishment. It was only Paolino's remarkable pluck and gameness that prevented him being knocked out.

The fighters take 40 per cent. of the proceeds which approximate G$500,000. —Reuter's American Service.

CRICKET AT HOME

CHAMPIONS' FIRST INNINGS LEAD

IDDON'S DOUBLE CENTURY

London, Yesterday.

At Liverpool, Lancashire (holders of the county cricket championship), at the conclusion of three days, could not force an outright decision against their visitors, Leicestershire, and had to be content with five points for a lead on the first innings to Leicestershire's three. Scores:—

Leicester 292 runs (Geary, the Test match bowler, made 102) and 158 runs for 4 wickets.

Lancashire 502 runs for 9 wickets, declared (Iddon made 222).

Essex v. Hampshire

At Leyton, Essex led Hampshire on the first innings. Scores:—

Hants 208 runs (O'Connor took 5 wickets for 52 runs) and 308 runs for 5 wickets (Mead 166 not out).

Essex 505 runs for 7 wickets, declared (O'Connor 157, Nichols 138).

M.C.C. v. Cambridge

At Lord's, the M.C.C. beat Cambridge University by an innings and 10 runs. Scores:—

M.C.C. 470 (Barnes 133; Blundell 5 for 94).

Cambridge 268 runs (Hearne 6 for 111) and, following on, 192 runs.

Surrey v. Oxford

At the Oval, Surrey defeated Oxford University by an innings and 47 runs. Scores:—

Oxford 213 runs and 134 runs.

Surrey 394 runs (Ducat 134).

Northants v. Yorkshire

At Northampton, Northants lost to Yorkshire by an innings and 38 runs. Scores:—

Northants 94 runs (Dennis 5 for 12) and 277 runs.

Yorkshire 409 runs for 8 wickets, declared (Sutcliffe 150).

Notts v. Warwick

At Nottingham, Notts defeated Warwick by an innings and 22 runs. Scores:—

Warwick 117 runs and 217 runs.

Notts 356 runs (Whysall 146).

Glamorgan v. Gloucester

At Swansea, Glamorgan lost to Gloucestershire by seven wickets. Scores:—

Glamorgan 181 runs (Sinfield 5 for 50) and 304 (Dyson 106, Davies, D., 116; Goddard 7 for 65).

Gloucester 434 runs (Hammond 177) and 52 runs for 3 wickets.— Reuter.

BATHING PAVILION

FORMAL S.C.A.A. OPENING TO-DAY

The new bathing pavilion of the South China Athletic Association at North Point will be formally opened this afternoon by Lady Clementi, who will be accompanied by H.E. the Governor. On the arrival of Sir Cecil and Lady Clementi, they will inspect the S.C.A.A. Troops of Boy Scouts, who are to act as Guard of Honour. Following the inspection, Mr. Li Yan-tsun, C.B.E., President of the Association, will introduce the other officers to the distinguished guests. H.E. the Governor will address the gathering after the formal opening and Mr. O. W. Luke, chairman of the S.C.A.A. Executive Committee, will also speak.

Following the ceremony, there will be an exhibition of aquatic sports.

Joseph Schildkraut

HIS MAJESTY

TO SPEND THE SUMMER AT SANDRINGHAM

NOT VISITING BALMORAL

London, Yesterday.

The King intends to spend summer at Sandringham, his Norfolk residence. Originally it had been planned that he should stay a month in Norfolk and go to Scotland in August, but according to present arrangements, the Court will not visit Balmoral this year, but will return to Buckingham Palace in Autumn. It is probable that the King will be able to do some shooting during the latter part of his stay at Sandrnigham. —British Wireless Service.

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REPARATIONS

WHAT IS WANTED BY THE GERMANS

WHAT REICHSTAG MAY DO

Munich, Yesterday.

Dr. Schacht made a lengthy statement on the result of the reparations negotiations in Paris, which he was of opinion "are not pleasant for Germany." "Nevertheless," he points out, "German experts considered that the Owen Young Plan was an improvement over the Dawes scheme and that Owen Young had saved the situation."

Dr. Schacht's speech was punctuated with cheers, especially when he expressed the belief that the Reichstag would not adopt the Young plan unless there was an immediate evacuation of the Rhineland, a satisfactory solution of the Saar problem and the restoration of German sovereignty in Germany territory.—Reuter.

IN THEIR YOUTH

"A BOY NAMED STANLEY BALDWIN"

AMERY AND CHURCHILL

Intimate stories of the school days of famous men were related recently to a Press representative, by the Rev. Edgar Stogdon, vicar of Harrow, who was at school there with ten Cabinet Ministers, six of whom were in the last Government.

"Amery was a great boy," said Mr. Stogdon, referring to the ex-Dominions Secretary. "He was, in my opinion, the cleverest boy Harrow has ever known. He had a tremendous brain, but he never pushed himself forward. He never minded a scrap either. He was extremely strong although so small, and a first-rate gymnast.

"A boy named Stanley Baldwin had an unusual reputation. He was not particularly clever or good at games. Yet everybody noticed him and liked him. Small boys and big boys alike thought the world of him because of his niceness, which you will agree is a remarkable thing in a boys' school. He was an exceptionally charming boy.

"Churchill A Character"

"Then there was Churchill. He was then what he is now, I think. He was a character, not particularly popular or clever or good at games, yet admired. He was fond of joking and was original without in any way making a pose of his originality, and would do daring or clever things that nobody else would think of doing.

"One day he was pottering round, watching some builders at work on a house, when a door blew open and injured his face.

"An old woman was doing the best she could to bathe his injuries when the school bell rang, and Churchill grabbed the towel and dashed into school with his face streaming with blood.

"He was never high up in class and was not over-fond of work, yet I believe he is the only boy on record who has gone to the headmaster and complained that he was not being taught enough."

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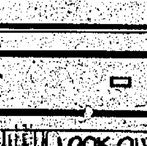

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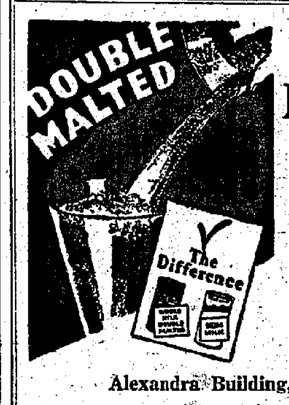

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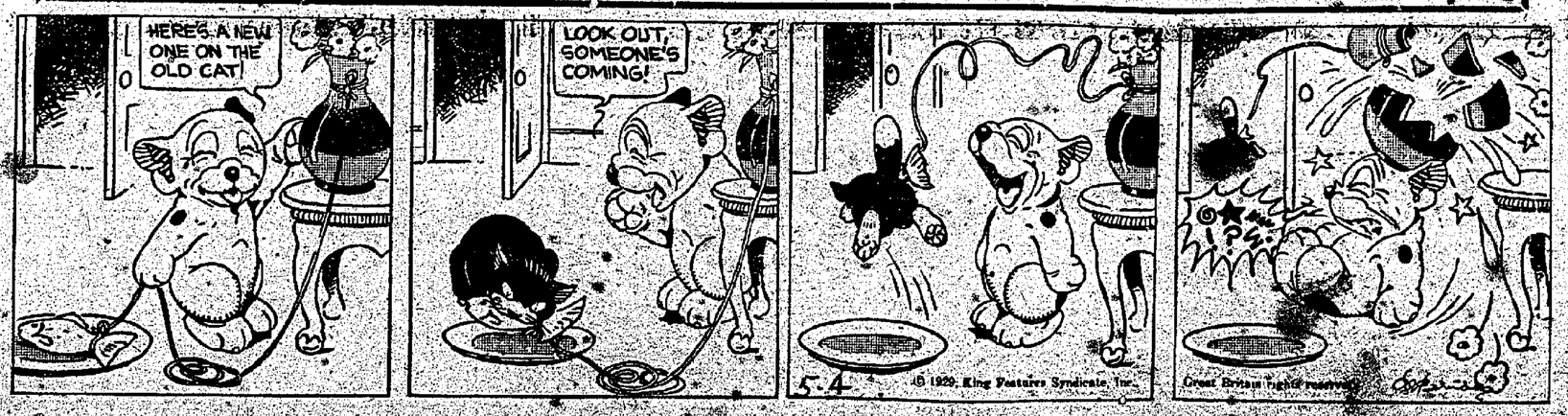


Fourth Pacific Science Congress

(Continued from page 1.)

Palaeolithic Man prefers blondes.—At the caves at Sampoeng where many implements and remains of neolithic and palaeolithic man are being unearthed it is noticeable how much the lighter shades of rouge predominate of the darker shades. This Prof. Elliot Smith humorously remarked, showed that palaeolithic man preferred blondes.

Nothing could have exceeded the eloquent dignity of his speech at the closing meeting proposing a vote of thanks to the numerous organisations, clubs, companies, firms, and the Press for their kindness and hospitality to the members of the Congress, and every one to whom English is a mother tongue must have felt somewhat of a thrill of pride.

Java is unique in its fertility and is thus harbouring a rich flora and fauna. It

Dr. K. W. Dammerman, Chief, Zoological Museum and Laboratory, Buitenzorg.

also is unique in offering almost in process of solution a demonstration of the problem of animal and plant distribution.

The Mecca of all Botanists.—These facts perhaps have helped to give it the beautiful zoological museum at Buitenzorg and the Botanical Gardens, one of the most beautiful in the world, and as one speaker observed, 'the Mecca of all botanists in the Far East'. And two of the most attractive personalities at the Congress were naturally, Dr. Van Leeuwen and Dr. Dammerman. Dr. Van Leeuwen is the Director of the Botanical Gardens at Buitenzog and is one of the greatest authorities on the flora of the East Indies. He has made a

Dr. R. Wind, Director, Forest Research Institute, Buitenzorg.

special study of the flora of Krakatau and the surrounding islands and has published much on them.

Dr. Dammerman, who is the Director of the Zoological Museum, has just published a fascinating and beautifully illustrated book 'The Agricultural Zoology of the Malay Archipelago'. This book is in English, and as many of the species treated or mentioned extend to Hong Kong or the neighbourhood, it deserves careful study

Dr. A. F. Fischel, Director, Bureau of Forestry, Philippine Islands.

by all those who are interested in our local fauna.

Dr. Dammerman is one of our greatest authorities on the fauna of the East Indies. Not much wonder then that the party of biologists who visited Krakatau should have the guidance and instruction of these two master minds. But it was not till the more limited biological trip to Tjibodas that the hosts were seen at their best. Tjibodas is the nature reserve and biological experimental station in the mountains. The accommodational facilities were taxed to their uttermost to shelter the select group of a dozen or more biologists who availed themselves of this trip.

An Earthly Paradise

But the two biological leaders were in their element. Nothing could exceed the kindness of the hosts. We were a motley crew—3 Dutch (counting the leaders); 3 Japanese; 2 Americans; 1 Scots Canadian; 1 Filipino; 1 Swede; 1 Norwegian; 1 Englishman; 1 Irishman; 1 Czecho-Slovakian. But the resource and goodfellowship of our hosts never deserted them; and Tjibodas was a veritable paradise.

One of the biggest and most difficult problems that faces thoughtful men is that of forestry. Probably more irrevocable mistakes have been made in connection with it than with any other practical problem — continents denuded, islands made into barren wastes, whole regions laid fallow. Countries like Australia or New Zealand where, short-sighted policies sometimes hold sway or countries like China where chaotic conditions may reign for long periods, seem to suffer especially.

Only those with a broad outlook, who think in centuries not in years, and whose vision is continental not parochial, should undertake or be employed in the work of forestry. Organising abilities of a unique character and above all "the rapture of the forward view" are the essential equipments for the

Prof. Jeswiet, examining a leaf of fig (Ficus evea (?))

controller of forest areas. Dr. Wind and Dr. Fischer, the controllers in Java and the Philipines respectively, who by their organising ability and watchful care have done so much for the timber reserve of the Pacific, by their charming personality made the Congress gatherings pass pleasantly for many. Both of these authorities have been long acquainted with their respective Island homes in the East, and both of them could say with the great American poet:—

"Who does his duty is a question
Too complex to be solved by me:
But he, I venture the suggestion,
Does part of his who plants a tree".

Sugar.—One of the big industries of Java is sugar production. In one of the London papers a few months ago Prof. Julian Huxley told us that "The Dutch in Java "had started to get a strain of "sugar cane which would yield "more than the existing canes and

Prof. T. W. Vaughan, Director, Scripps Institution of Oceanography, California, U.S.A.

"resist the various diseases which "afflict sugar canes".

One of the men to whom this is partly due is Prof. Jeswiet who

Prof. W. A. Setchell, Department of Botany, University of California, U.S.A.

made an aeroplane trip to one of the more out-of-the-way parts of New Guinea, and there discovered several new wild species of sugar cane (**Saccharum sp.**). None of these wild canes had any sugar in them. But one of them when crosed with a Javanese cultivated variety has given new life and vitality to the Javanese sugar industry.

Where did the Sugar cane come from?

As with many other cultivated plants there is a good deal of difference of opinion as to the

Two Headhunting D yaks from Borneo.

home country from which the sugar cane originally came. The ancient Israelites attributed it to 'a far country' (Jeremiah VI. 20) Prof. Jeswiet favours New Guinea. There are many varieties both of the wild and domestic forms there. But one of the peculiar things about them is that while the wild forms have long internodes the domestic forms of New Guinea have short internodes.

The multiplicity of wild forms of **Saccharum** in New Guinea which has been used as a proof that this was its place of origin might also be used as an indication of the reverse. Occasionally species which remain stable at the centre of origin tend to diverge into a number of species and sub-species when introduced into a new habitat.

Prof. Jeswiet seems also to think that tobacco had a long-established home in New Guinea, and that there at all events it was not the recent gift of Raleigh and the New World.

The cannibal peoples whom he met impressed Prof. Jeswiet very favourably. Their clothes consisted of a shell one of which he obtained from the person of a chief.

Prof. Miyoshi, Emeritus professor of Botany in Tokyo University, author of many monographs on botany in English, German and Japanese.

Speculators on the origin and use of clothes should take note of this fact as it may throw light on the hidden mysteries which envelop primitive sartorial arrangements.

The Pacific is the home of problems dealing with the oceans, ocean deeps, coral islands, insular floras and faunas, and the resultant problems of distribution, animal and plant reserves, and quarantine.

Illustrious representatives of many of these phases of scientific research were among the attractive figures at the meetings. Prof.

Dr. Kuwana, Entomologist, Bureau of Agriculture, Tokyo, Japan.

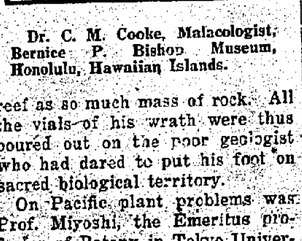
Vaughan, the Chairman of the Committee on oceanography, and a great authority on coral reefs had some interesting duels with his fellow-countryman Prof. Setchell, one of the greatest authorities on the seaweeds.

These duels were of the mental and verbal kind where avoirdupois did not count. Prof. Setchell, unless I misunderstood him, was all for the coral reef as a biological unit with the sea weed **Lithothamnium** as its dynamic point of origin: in fact, if this **Lithothamnium** ridge did not appear and fulfil its function the coral island simply ceased to be a coral island and might be called something else. He was naturally at deadly enmity with the geologist who simply looked on the coral

Dr. C. M. Cooke, Malacologist, Bernice P. Bishop Museum, Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands.

reef as so much mass of rock. All the vials of his wrath were thus poured out on the poor geologist who had dared to put his foot on sacred biological territory.

On Pacific plant problems was Prof. Miyoshi, the Emeritus professor of Botany in Tokyo University, who has written botanical works in English, German, and his native tongue. Also among the Japanese was Dr Kuwana well-



Dr. Van Es, of the Geological Survey of Java.

known as an entomologist and a great authority on the scale insects on which he has written many important monographs. He is Director of the Plant Quarantine Station of Japan. Years seem to sit on his shoulders lightly as he scans the plants of Buitenzorg for some of his favourite insects.

And then you have Dr. Cooke of Hawaii, one of the greatest living authorities on the mollusca. It is said that he can tell you from which Island in the Pacific every snail shell you bring him comes. He is, too, an expert breeder of Hibiscus plants. And notwithstanding all this erudition his unassuming modesty and natural reserve make him one of the most accessible of men.

Time and space fail me to give a list of the numerous others who helped to enliven the scenes and add their quota to the founts of knowledge and suggestion which flowed so freely at Bandoeng during the cheery days of May last. There was Dr. Van Es, the leader to Trinil who almost convinced us that we had got specimens of Pithecanthropus erectus No. 2. Prof. Mortensen of Copenhagen, one of the greatest living authorities on the echinoderms and on his way to the British Association in South Africa, who talked fluently as many languages as there were plagues of Egypt.

Nor must we leave out the great groups from all the tribes of the Islands — Dyaks, Sundanese and Papuan — who left such an indelible impress on the Congress.

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Much of importance has transpired in China, both in the adjoining provinces and in the North. Explained by notes and comment where necessary, the "Overland's" reports will supplement the cable news broadcast at Home for those who cannot but interest themselves in developments because of trade and other connections.

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YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

"I beg your pardon, madam," a patron of the movies bent over and touched the lady in front of him on the shoulder "but would you mind reading the subtitles in a louder tone? The orchestra sometimes prevents me from hearing you!"

THE WORLD OF BOOKS

MR. R. MACDONALD

WHAT THE PRIME MINISTER READS

The library of Mr. Ramsay MacDonald is an extremely interesting one, for it forms part of the Labour Leader's life-story. There are books in it that represent every period in Mr. MacDonald's career from the time when he was earning 12s. 6d. a week as a junior clerk in a London warehouse to the period when he became the first Minister of the Crown.

A history of Windsor Castle marks this last period. This is the only full and complete history of the Castle in existence. It was compiled by order of the King, and only a limited number of copies were printed. It is very beautifully bound and printed and well illustrated. On the fly-leaf the King wrote: "To Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, on the occasion of his first visit to Windsor Castle as Prime Minister."

A Present From the Queen

Later, when the then Prime Minister visited Balmoral, he was presented with a history of Balmoral Castle by Queen Mary, compiled and printed also by His Majesty's command.

Practically every volume in his collection of books was purchased by Mr. MacDonald with the view that he might gain knowledge. There are all kinds of history books, books on political economy, lives of famous men, book on philosophy, to be seen in Mr. MacDonald's library in his quiet, old-world home at Hampstead.

Silently those books tell the story, of how their owner through years of poverty laboured to acquire knowledge from them, denying himself even food to acquire it, for often the then struggling clerk would go without any dinner in order to save the money which he required for the purchase of some book he wished to possess.

In the library of such a man it is not surprising that books of the lighter kind are not to be found: When the writer asked him if he read any modern fiction an emphatic shake of the head was his reply.

Some Rare Editions

But there is good fiction to be seen in Mr. MacDonald's collection of books—Dickens, Scott, George Eliot, the Brontes—and a wonderful collection of Scottish tales of the seventeenth century; the last-mentioned was one of Mr. MacDonald's happy "finds." He does not, it may be explained, go in at all for collecting rare editions, but he has from time to time by a lucky chance come across some prizes of this kind, among these being a first edition set of the Barchester novels.

History, philosophy, and lives of famous men form the Labour Leader's favourite kind of reading, together with the writers of fiction mentioned above. Mr. MacDonald knows almost by heart all that the late Lord Morley wrote.

There is one kind of literature the Labour Leader rarely reads: dramatic literature has never appealed to him; and this, in a way, is rather surprising, for his life has certainly not been devoid of a dramatic aspect; the writer did not see the works of any dramatist in Mr. MacDonald's library, not even any of Shakespeare's plays, though, of course, they may have been there. But, says John o' London's Weekly, the works of Mr. Shaw were certainly absent.

IN THE LOWLANDS

PEN PICTURES OF RURAL LIFE TO-DAY

["Apollo in Exile." By himself. Edited by James Bryce. Benn. 7s. 6d.]

We have already met the author through "The Story of a Ploughboy," and "The Double Journey." "Apollo in Exile" is written in altogether lighter vein than his former works, and may not, perhaps, be read so widely, but it has its own particular charm and should appeal to many.

Mr. Bryce gives us, in this book, a picture—or rather a series of pictures—of rural life as it is to-day in the Lowlands of Scotland. They make a charming background to the mild adventures of the hero, a "would-be" poet, who reverses the usual process, and leaves the Metropolis to seek adventure and the wherewithal to exist, over the Scottish border.

The only son of a practical, wealthy business man, he refuses to follow in his father's footsteps, preferring to woo the Muse in rooms in Bloomsbury, living meanwhile on a comfortable allowance from home.

After a time an ultimatum is delivered, and our hero chooses to go his own way. Family supplies are cut off, and he is left to fend for himself. His happy vagabondage, and placid adventures while working on the soil, his simple amours, leading up to the return of the prodigal, provide two hundred and fifty pages of quiet enjoyment.

The charm of the book lies not so much in the subject as in the author's fresh and original treatment of it. He has an easy flowing style, and his English is straightforward. One cannot call the book "clever" in the accepted sense of the word. It is restful and refreshing, a book for the bedside, or any time when one requires mental relaxation rather than stimulation.

"PEARL OF CHINA"

FRENCH DOCTOR IN SZECHWAN

Writes Lady Hosie in the "Observer":—

In "Modern Chinese Civilisation" a French doctor takes us away from this historical atmosphere to that of daily life and thought. Dr. A. F. Legendre spent many years in China, mainly in Szechwan, that farthest-west province which my husband called "the pearl of China," and he speaks from much unique experience. His passion is science; and he therefore dissects China's civilisation, writing fearlessly. His book, which is also of much interest, will not please Young China, for whose instruction and admonition it is written. Sickened with the flattery which some Occidentals have served up to the East, pitying passionately the crushing needless labour of China's human beasts of burden; enraged with the senseless folly of the peasant who cuts down every tree and thus gives his land over a prey to alternate flood and drought, making bad things worse, Dr. Legendre has done true service to the people for whom he cares so deeply by tearing away the veil of illusion.

What he says of the habits of the poor, of insanitation, disregard of infection, of the shallow learning of over-weening students, is true. But he goes on to say that, as an anthropologist and measurer of heads, he is assured that biologically the Chinese are unfitted for republican ideals. I can only hope he has made a scientific miscalculation: for I cannot help fancying they intend to keep to those ideals, biology or no. Russia, he points out, tells China that the way of progress is by munitions and lethal weapons, and China is tempted. Did she not lately invite Ludendorff to train armies for her? The author urges upon Western Europe, to whom it has been given to know the smelting of metals, the weaving of wool, agriculture on a large scale, and inductive science, the duty of helping China to all these. We should give her the chance to acquire the scientific mind. And he is right.

The English translator has not been altogether happy in her reading of Chinese names. Also the word "Chinaman" is anathema to the purist, who prefers the word "Chinese."

"YEAR OF WRATH"

A MISSIONARY ON CHINA

Lady Hosie writes in the "Observer":—

Dr. Owen B. Chapman has written the book which our Parliamentarians-in-posse should buy at once and digest. By it knowledge will come quickly. It is also extremely interesting. "The Chinese Revolution, 1926-7," is its name and its theme. The author, an Australian missionary doctor of the neighbourhood of Hankow, has always had predilections for the Nationalists' cause. With conspicuous fairness he has given us what happened to the Nationalist movement during the "year of wrath." The first launching north of the army, the propaganda, what part Russia played, Eugene Chen's short but vivid efflorescence, the emancipation of women. Feng Yu-hsiang and Yen Hsi-shan in their roles, the anti-religious virus: he has set it all down as it came, mostly without comment, in purely historical form. The race for Peking between the Left or Communist Wing from Hankow, and Chiang Kai-shek with his Nankingites, is positively thrilling. No, I will not remind you of the denouement.

Dr. Chapman concludes that the Nationalist Government, minus the Communists, is the only political hope for China: and most of us agree. One arresting statement he makes:—

The news that is being passed along the whispering galleries of the East is this: that China accepted Russian help, adopted the doctrines of Communism . . . and even delivered herself for over a year to the control and direction of her Russian advisers of the Third International; that after a full and fair trial of this regime she found that Russia was seeking—not the good of China, but the World Revolution, and that China was being broken and ruined in the process; and that, finally, the Chinese patriots, to save their country, have themselves, without coercion from other nations, rejected Communism, and expelled the Russian agents.

I hope the doctor is right in this diagnosis.

FOREIGN DIPLOMACY

BRITAIN AND OPEN DOOR IN CHINA

Lady Hosie writes in the "Observer":—Dr. Joseph, a Canadian, and a brilliant scholar, has made careful study of history in his well-documented book, "Foreign Diplomacy in China, 1894-1900." A term which needs elucidation to the average person is "the most-favoured nation clause," against which I have heard speakers with the best intentions inveigh. Of course, it means precisely the opposite of what one might suppose! In effect, it stands for the same principle as "the Open Door;" i.e., that there shall be in practice no "favoured nations." Thus, through wiles and intrigues, such as went on about 1896, when Russia, Germany, and France were trying to "slice" the poor melon, or through force of arms such as Japan achieved, China might be coerced into granting special privileges to one individual nation. By their "most-favoured nation" clause, which has come to appear in most of China's treaties with foreign Powers, all of those nations also and automatically fall heir to such privileges.

Britain's Great Weapon

In the years 1896-1900 it was Britain's great weapon whereby she, and she alone—as Dr. Joseph points out very conclusively—saved China from dismemberment. He has collated his evidence, not only from recognised China sources, but from the Willy-Nicky Letters and De Witte's Memoirs: which all, one regrets to discover, confirm the worst suspicions as to Russian and German plans for absorbing North China: and France was apparently behaving with equal greed in South China. If Britain had not induced China, after much pother, to promise never to alienate any portion of the Yangtsze Basin without British consent, these nations would unblushingly have planned the partition of Central China also.

One gathers that the author is pleasantly surprised at his discoveries about Britain, and intends further researches into later policies. Equal success and surprise await him, even with regard to the extra-territorial doings of the missionaries—British—on whom he casts an eye of dubiety. He was born in 1901, studied at the London School of Economics, and is consequently still inclined to a trifle of cynicism. He reiterates that it is "fantastical" to expect international altruism. He was too young for the war. His book is excellent, painstaking, and exact.

Sir Frederick Whyte, whose appointment as Chief Adviser to the Nationalist Government shows very sound judgment on their part, writes a lucid and thoughtful Preface.

PLEASE DON'T WASTE WATER

ROSEBERY'S LIFE

MAY BE WRITTEN BY MR. JOHN BUCHAN

The biography of the late Earl of Rosebery may be written by Mr. John Buchan, the distinguished novelist and man of letters, it is believed in London book circles.

Lord Rosebery and Mr. Buchan were close personal friends and shared a common interest in literary matters and Scottish history.

Lord Rosebery's life, covering as it did a long and exceptionally interesting period in British and European history, is bound to make fascinating reading. He was intimate with Gladstone and he met and corresponded with the European statesmen, especially Bismarck. This correspondence, together with his papers, and, possibly, private journals, is certain to yield a fund of valuable first-hand material for his biographer, which it would not be surprising if during his later years of leisure Lord Rosebery had done something towards their arrangement himself.

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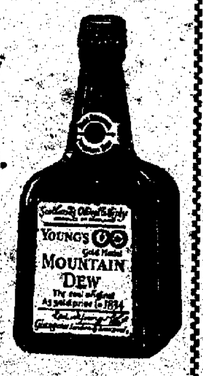

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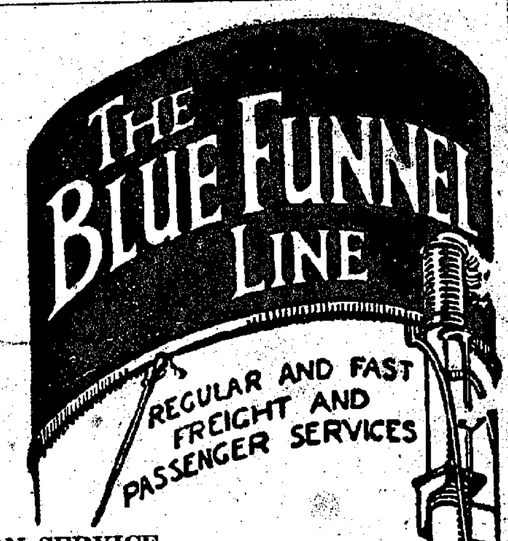

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There will be one collection from the pillar boxes and one delivery of ordinary correspondence as on Sundays, and one delivery of registered correspondence at 9 a.m.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per
SATURDAY, JUNE 29.	
Shanghai	Perim
Europe via Negapatam (papers), London, 30th May and parcels, 23rd May	Patroclus
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 31st May)	President Harrison
SUNDAY, JUNE 30.	
Manila	President Pierce
MONDAY, JULY 1.	
Shanghai and Amoy	Linan
U.S.A., Honolulu (San Francisco, 7th June), Japan and Shanghai	President Jackson
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Victoria, B.C. and Seattle, 13th June)	Empress of Asia
TUESDAY, JULY 2.	
Japan and Shanghai	General Metzinger
Saigon	Porthos
Straits	Sindhana

OUTWARD MAILS.

	Per	
SATURDAY, JUNE 29.		
Ilollo, Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa & Egypt	Stuart Dollar	3 p.m.
Amoy	Perim	3.30 p.m.
Hoihow	Nanchang	3.30 p.m.
Manila	Nampeng	3.30 p.m.
Saigon	President Harrison	5 p.m.
Hoihow	Pongtong	5 p.m.
SUNDAY, JUNE 30.	Halvard	5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Hozan Maru	9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kiangsu	9 a.m.
Haiphong	Haydrot	9 a.m.
Shanghai, and *Europe via Siberia	Patroclus	9 a.m.
MONDAY, JULY 1.		
Shanghai, Japan and *Victoria, B.C.	Yokohama Maru	8.30 a.m.
Swatow	Hydranges (Due Victoria, B.C., 26th July.)	Noon.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, C. & S. America and *Europe via San Francisco	President Pierce (Due San Francisco, 24th July and *Europe via Siberia.)	
	Parcels	July 11 a.m.
	Registration	11.15 a.m.
	Letters	Noon
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Sarpedon (Due Marseilles, 7th Aug.)	
G.P.O.	K.P.O.	
Registration July 9, 5 p.m.	Registration July 9, 4.30 p.m.	
Letters 6 p.m.	Letters 4.30 p.m.	

*Superscribed correspondence only.

MR. CHAN YEE-HEE

SUNNING RAILWAY'S PIONEER DEAD

RETURNED U.S. EMIGRANT

Canton, Yesterday.

A report reaching here announces the death of Mr. Chan Yee-hee, founder and builder of the Sunning Railway, Toyshan, Kwangtung, at his home in Luke Chuen, on June 25.

The late Mr. Chan, 85 years old at his death, went a young man as an emigrant to America. He first joined the Great Northern Pacific Railroad as a labourer and then worked as foreman. His work with this line led him to thinking of constructing a line in his home district, Sunning. He finally succeeded after many years of toil and sacrifice and when the story of Chan Yee-hee is written some day, he, and not many now erroneously listed, would be considered a "hero of the Chinese Revolution."—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

"WILD BEASTS"

PREMIER AND GOVERNMENT'S IDEALS

WORK AND PEACE

London, Yesterday.

"Work to our workpeople and peace to the world were Labour's immediate ideals," declared Mr. MacDonald at the Co-operative Banquet in London. Unemployment must be scientificially studied and removed by a great continuous programme.

As regards international peace, we are endeavouring to lay the foundations of what will be the finest and fairest fabric that any Government ever built for the honour of Great Britain.

We are not entering Peace Conferences without sufficient preliminary preparation so as to avoid such failure as that of the 1927 Naval Disarmament Conference.

There are risks of peace and risks of war. I am banking on risks of peace.

Mr. MacDonald asked the country to give the Labour Government its confidence while it was struggling with the "wild beasts of Ephesus."—Reuter.

DISARMAMENT

FIVE POWER CONFERENCE MAY BE HELD IN LONDON

AMERICA'S ATTITUDE

Washington, Yesterday.

A five-power conference in London next summer on the political aspects of the question of a reduction of naval armaments is regarded in Government circles as a possible outcome of the naval discussions at present being held in London.

Meanwhile, there has been no move in this direction on the part of the British Government, but it is felt here that the United States would favour such a conference, which would not concern the technicalities to be considered at the next meeting of the Disarmament commission of the League of Nations.

Mr. MacDonald to Decide

New York, Yesterday.

A message from Washington says that General Dawes has been instructed to inform Mr. Ramsay MacDonald that the United States is ready to enter either into a separate naval disarmament conference or one operating under existing League machinery.

An early announcement from Mr. MacDonald is anticipated.—Reuter's American Service.

FRANCE AND HER WAR DEBTS

NO ILLUSIONS

WILL HAVE TO RATIFY MELLON-BERENGER AGREEMENT

AVOIDING STOCKS PAYMENT

Paris, Yesterday.

M. Poincare, the Premier, transmitted to M. Briand, as Foreign Minister, M. Hamber's motion, but the Government are without the lightest illusions as to its chance of success and recognise that Parliament will have to ratify the Mellon-Berenger Agreement before August 1, in order to avoid paying for the war stocks which France took over from America at the conclusion of hostilities.—Reuter.

WATER PROBLEM

HARBOUR PIPE LINE—WORK BEGINS

NOTICE TO MARINERS

From a notice issued to mariners by the Harbour Master, it is presumed that work in connection with the laying of the pipe line across the harbour will be commenced on July 4. The notice reads:

"Boring operations of the harbour bottom on a line joining the seaward end of Queen's Pier and the position of the inter-section of the centre line of Nathan-road on the Kowloon sea front will commence on July 4.

The boring operations will be confined to a distance of 500 feet from seafront on each side. One large junk, carrying as a distinguishing signal, a large square red flag, will be used in connection with this week.

All shipping must give this vessel a wide berth.

A USEFUL REMEDY

With the danger of drinking impure water ever present during the water shortage, the following is a recipe for cholera, typhoid, ptomaine poisoning, abdominal influenza, belly aches, chills, etc., if taken as soon as the symptoms make themselves felt:—

Spirit Aethers (spirits of ether), m xxx (30 drops).
Oleum Caryophylli (oil of cloves), m v. (5 drops).
Oleum Cajuputi (cajuputi oil), m v. (5 drops).
Oleum Juniperi (juniper oil), m v. (5 drops).
Acidum Sulphuricum Aromart (aromatic sulphuric acid), m xv. (15 drops).

Dose. One teaspoon in one tablespoonful of water every half hour until patient feels perfectly well. The usual number of doses required is 10.

In cases of severe vomiting half a teaspoonful in two teaspoonsful of water to be sipped every quarter of an hour until patient feels well. The usual number of doses required to cure is 20.

This recipe is taken from a paper by Dr. Alex Cannon on "A New Era in the Treatment of Cholera" published in the "Caduceus" in March, 1927.

DAY OF MOURNING

HOW IT PASSED OFF IN GERMANY

MANY DEMONSTRATIONS

Berlin, Yesterday.

The "Day of Mourning" was marked by a number of demonstrations of which one was in the Reichstag by "Patriotic" organisations and another in the Grunewald Stadium by the Nationalists.

Protestant churches displayed church flags trimmed with crape.

There were mourning services" in all churches, while some buildings half-masted the old Imperial flag.

Newspapers publish long articles on the Versailles Treaty.

Students have collided with the Police several times owing to the authorities prohibiting meetings of protest in connection with the Versailles Treaty anniversary.

Students were, firstly dispersed from the front of the university, then from the Ministry of Education. Eventually they were driven off with baton charge at Pres. Hindenburg's residence. Several arrests were made.—Reuter.

WOMEN AVIATORS

DISASTROUS ENDING TO ENDURANCE ATTEMPT

PILOT KILLED

New York, Yesterday.

Two women, Miss Viola Gentry and Mrs. Martin Jansen, are each determined to break the world's flying endurance record by refuelling a machine in flight.

Mrs. Jansen started from Roosevelt Field on Wednesday.

Miss Gentry ascended yesterday, but her machine crashed to-day, the pilot, Mr. Jack Ashcraft, being killed and Miss Gentry seriously hurt.—Reuter's American Service.

BURMA FLOODS

100,000 ACRES OF RICH LAND FLOODED

10,000 FAMILIES DESTITUTE

Akyab, Burma, Yesterday.

It is officially reported that the Kaladan River is unprecedentedly swollen with the heavy rains from the hills, disastrously flooding over 100,000 acres of rich land.

Ten thousand families are destitute and many cattle drowned but there have been few fatalities.

The Government's relief measures include the import of foodstuffs and seed grain.—Reuter.

"SOUTHERN CROSS"

DULY REACHES SINGAPORE ON WAY TO ENGLAND

Singapore, Yesterday.

The "Southern Cross" has arrived here.—Reuter.

The airmen hope to reach Rangoon to-morrow and to proceed by Calcutta, Bagdad and Rome to London.—British Wireless Service.

WILLS AND BEQUESTS

The local Probate Office has granted letters of administrations to Mr. J. H. Seth and Mr. S. H. Ross in the estate of the late Chan King-sang, alias Pan Chan Shi, widow. She died at No. 1, Li Yuen Street West, on December 29, 1928, leaving property in the Colony to the value of $26,500, which she bequeathed to her two sons and one daughter.

Mr. Seth and Mr. Ross are attorneys for the beneficiaries.

Died in Mexico

Letters of administration in the estate of the late Eng Hip-on, trader, who died on May 20, 1928, at Villa de Cecilia, Tampico, Tamaulipas, Mexico, have been granted to Eng Wai-koon, a farmer. Property left in the Colony amounted to $2,100.

YEN HSI-SHAN

Peking, Yesterday.

Yen Hsi-shan appears still obdurate. It is confirmed that he has chartered a Japanese steamer, which he requires to be ready to sail about July 5 from Tangku.

He has practically refused to see Chiang Kai-shek and discuss the present situation. Some well-informed persons believe that Yen Hsi-shan would really prefer to stay in China and that his insistence on going abroad is in the nature of an ultimatum. However, precisely what is his alternative is not known.—Reuter.

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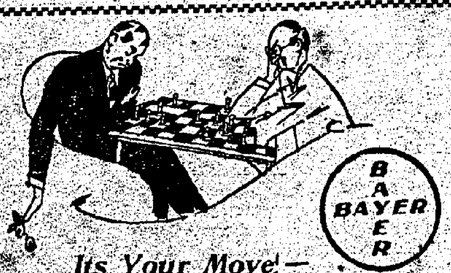

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